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WOMAN'S WORK FOR WOMAN.

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NOW that the war is on in the East—the war that we longed to have averted—the friends of missions are clearly summoned to gird themselves for a campaign of earnest prayer. Let the March meetings in all our societies from the Atlantic to the Pacific witness faithful, humble, heartfelt intercession: for China, tranquility; that Christian life in Japan may not be smothered in martial excitement; that God's flock in Korea be not scattered and lost; that the lives of our missionaries, all missionaries in the East, be not imperilled.

AS we go to press, there is a probability that Korea is about to become a battle-ground, at least in the north, Syen Chun being only fifty miles from the Yalu River. No special anxiety is entertained regarding the safety of missionaries there; it is the Koreans on whom the adversities of war will fall. Those companies of believers in village after village, those gentle Korean women, must they be put to the fiery test?

WHEN the war cloud burst, the Korea Mission was already in receipt of advices from the Board of Foreign Missions, as to suitable action in the event of war. Instructions were: to immediately register any mission property not already recorded at the U. S. Legation; to fly the U.S. flag over all mission buildings; in view of the lawlessness which accompanies war, to arrange for removal of the women and children to places of safety, of which there are several near at hand. Large discretion is left to the Mission, with a charge to act in emergencies, as they naturally would, in consultation with U. S. Minister Allen and the commanding officer of the naval squadron of the United States.

WITH deep regret and solicitude we learn that Mrs. W. W. Eddy slipped and broke her hip bone, at her home in Beirût, in January. Mrs. Eddy went to Syria in 1851. Since her husband's death, four years ago, her eyesight has been failing. She is tenderly cared for by her daughters, Mrs. Hoskins and Dr. Mary Eddy, and many friends on this side the sea will bear her on their hearts at this time of her need.

SPEAKING of the grave illness from which Dr. Mary Fitch of Soochow has been graciously raised up, her mother writes of the period of anxiety through which they all passed at Shanghai: "I have felt so often that we had what no money could buy, many prayers of God's believing people. The prayers of the Chinese Christians are a precious possession."

THE appointment to Persia of a young man who has grown up in Syria, in such a missionary family as that of Dr. Henry Jessup, has attracted considerable attention. Soon after his arrival, Rev. Frederick N. Jessup wrote: "As we neared Persia I seemed to be getting towards home. The general look of the people and houses, the fauna and flora, all seemed homelike, and every one was so cordial that Tabriz has seemed like a true home from the very start. The station seems like one big family. To see Mr. Pittman starting off to be gone for months, leaving all his comfortable things, his books and home, just taking a native bed—was a tonic.

FROM Urumia, Miss Dean has written of the justice harshly dealt out by the Persian Government to some of the Kurds who plundered, burned and killed some time ago. Three guilty men, one of them a small chief who put a village of a hundred Armenians to death in most barbarous manner, were blown to pieces at the cannon's mouth, within earshot of station meeting. She also mentions three Russians who visited Urumia with a view to opening a bank, and looked into the mission plant very fully, putting many inquiries.

IN January, at a meeting with the school-girls at Tabriz, Persia, the subject of "the new birth" was pressed home, and, at the close, about forty girls 12–18 years old and over twenty, 10–12, lifted their hands to signify that they wanted to make a new covenant with Christ. "It was a thrilling moment," their teacher writes, as many of these Armenian girls attend the Gregorian Church and have been heard to say that, if they became Christians in school, they would have to be "very different"—they could no more carry candles, nor worship pictures, and would have to refrain from "bad words and telling lies." Miss Beaber told the girls to put down their hands and carefully explained again the nature of a solemn covenant. "But the faces beamed brighter than ever and the hands came up resolutely while many said, 'No, we mean it, with God's help we will keep it.'"

APROPOS to *Rex Christus* study this month, is the fine sketch of Peter Parker in *Pioneer Missionaries*, by C. C. Creegan, D.D., American Tract Society, publishers.

A VOLUME of profitable reading is *Twice Around the World*, by the lamented Mrs. Twing; it puts one specially in touch with missions of the American Episcopal Church. Ordered from Church Missions House, 281 Fourth Ave., New York.

BY request of the Society in Philadelphia, the public libraries of that city have placed the United Study of Missions books upon their shelves. Let others go and do likewise.

UNDER recent postal regulations, letters are sent to Shanghai at the same rate as in the United States,—but to nowhere else in Asia. Five cents per each *half ounce*,—not one ounce, as here at home, is the rate, as heretofore. "But," says somebody, "I received a letter from Ningpo bearing only a two-cent stamp." True; it was sent under cover to Shanghai and mailed from there, local postage having been paid from Ningpo. Let us not allow ourselves to be careless or confused on this subject of postage, for every time that we underpay letters to our missionary friends, they pay a fine.

THE mountain sanitorium of the Basel Mission, in Kameruns, is now and again thankfully availed of by our friends in Africa. Mrs. Reutlinger writes, by last mail, of a brief visit which she, Mrs. De Heer and Rev. R. H. Milligan were enjoying there, of the "beautiful Christmas," and how they were all bracing up in the "cool air, with cold mountain water, fresh milk, meat and vegetables."

THE Southern Presbyterian Church has met with another tragic loss. A finely equipped missionary, but thirty years old, before he had reached his station, was drowned in the Congo by the capsizing of the mission boat *Lapsley*. Twenty-three of the crew were also engulfed. Mr. Henry C. Slaymaker of Alexandria, Va., responding to the call for a business man on the Congo, offered himself last June. He was an elder in the church, had been in business life from boyhood, and while "educated by his godly mother and the public schools" passed an examination, especially in theology, which was highly approved by Presbytery.

THE appeal for a new *Lapsley* will no doubt meet with prompt response in the Southern Church. Their Congo force includes three white missionaries and seven colored, of whom three are single women.

THE Woman's Conference wave struck Angola, West Africa, last August. Women delegates from churches of the American Board Mission traveled to the place of meeting, on foot and in caravans, their Christian husbands having undertaken, during their absence, to do "woman's work" which in Africa is field labor. The topics discussed in Conference all related to the Christian life, care of their homes and training of children. A missionary at Bailundu reports the return of their delegates "brimful of enthusiasm" after their unprecedented outing, and a church filled with men and women to listen to their report. "It took our breath away to hear them talk so well. Each in turn stood up and, without apparent embarrassment, made her report in a quiet, modest, dignified manner. They held their audience." This is the liberty of the gospel of Christ.

Our Missionaries in Africa——AND POST OFFICE ADDRESSES.

Mrs. Jas. S. Cunningham,	Libreville, Congo Français.		Miss Isabella A. Nassau,	Batanga,	Kameruns.
Mrs. E. A. Ford,	"	"	Mrs. Albert G. Adams,	Efulen,	"
Mrs. T. Spencer Ogden,	"	"	Mrs. W. C. Johnston,	"	"
Mrs. C. De Heer,	(Benito), Batanga, Kameruns.		Mrs. Robt. M. Johnston,	"	"
Mrs. Chas. F. Norman,	"	" "	Mrs. Chas. W. McCleary,	Élat,	"
Mrs. Reutlinger,	"	" "	Mrs. H. L. Weber,	"	"
Mrs. Adolph N. Krug,		" "	Mrs. Wilmer F. Lehman (after June 1),	Lolodorf,	"
Mrs. Peter Menkel,		" "			

In this country :—Mrs. Wm. M. Dager, Scotch Grove, Iowa; Mrs. W. C. Gault, Wooster, Ohio; Mrs. Albert Lippert, Station L, Cincinnati, Ohio. *En route* :—Dr. and Mrs. Lehman, *via* Germany.

SINGLE MEN'S CORPS IN THE AFRICA MISSION.

Rev. R. H. Milligan,	Libreville.	Silas F. Johnson, M.D.,	Efulen.
Mr. Harry D. Salveter,	"	Rev. Melvin Fraser. ,	Élat.
Rev. Frank Hickman,	Benito.	Mr. Francis B. Guthrie,	"
Joseph E. Blunden, M.D.,	Batanga.	Rev. L. D. Heminger,	"

WHAT THEY ARE DOING IN ASIA.

I. Philanthropy in Canton.

Canton is mighty, rich and advanced in refinement beyond most cities of China, therefore here, if anywhere in the Empire, we might expect to find the municipal government making provision for its unfortunate classes. The expectation is fulfilled. I saw there (1) an Old Ladies' Home, (2) a City Hospital, (3) a Village for the Blind. If these or similar philanthropies are maintained, by the Chinese themselves, in any of the other thirteen large cities which I visited in China, I did not hear of them.

We went by sedan chair to find these institutions in the heart of the great, throbbing, amazing city. I was escorted by Dr. Mary Niles, and proud I was of my countrywoman as I saw how every street knew her, how respectfully every door opened before her and how approachable she was to everybody. Coolie, scholar and mumbling old granny alike, desired speech with her. Here, people came up to show their sores; there, they begged her to stay and "talk the Bible."

The Old Ladies' Home consists of a series of one-storied houses in the universal gray brick, surrounding and opening upon a large central square. They are divided into one-room apartments, where your "Old Lady" lives, cooking and caring for herself in all respects; or, more often, two or three women live together. The age of seventy years or upward is a condition of entrance. Each inmate has an allowance of two cents a day for food, and if her husband is living, the solace of his visits is permitted them. We saw such couples sitting cozily in the doorways. These houses accommodate over a thousand persons and they appeared to be full. The only attractions of the square were light and air. Grass was neglected, there was neither fountain nor flower. The dull existence of the place contrasted strongly with life, as we know it, in pretty, maple-shaded houses in hundreds of good towns, where the "Old Ladies" are humored and petted and their days cheered by visitors and frequent tokens of good will. Yet, their "Home" is no doubt suited to these Cantonese, and seems to many of them a very haven of rest. Women of the Southern Baptist Mission have included this square in their city parish, and by their friendly visits brighten and bless the lives of the aged inhabitants.

A hospital is in charge of Chinese who appear to have been trained in foreign medicine, accommodations being on the national pattern. Several doctors, who were lounging about and smoking in their handsome New Year's clothes, came forward and greeted us with much politeness. The annual festivities of this season will, it is true, entice every Chinese out of bed who can crawl out, yet, as a gauge of the popularity of the hospital, it was enough for me that, at three weeks after New Year's, in a city of two millions of people, there was only *one* patient in the whole establishment.

The city has set apart some ten acres of land for the blind, who are a feature of Canton streets, and erected dwellings for a thousand of them around the sides of an open grassy rectangle, not fronting upon it as in the case of the Old Ladies' Home, but after the general style

of the literary examination stalls, as seen in all their cities. Permanent rows of brick blocks, in parallel lines row upon row, are separated each from the next by a narrow alley. The poor inmates cannot see how narrow the slit of sky is in front of their doors, how few stars can be counted there, but with hand outstretched they learn how near the wall is, and as they lie on the floor in hot days, they know very well how they choke for want of air. Dr. Niles, with the pride of a citizen, drew my attention to improvements, the rooms newly built being larger than the old, and alley space doubled. The Blind Village is of course enclosed by a high wall. In one end of it is a wide entrance gate, at the opposite end stands an ornamental building for the use of officials, and containing a shrine to their gods.

In families where there is but one blind person, all the seeing members are permitted, if they choose, to come along with the blind and save their house rent by huddling together in one small room. They may pursue their outside avocations, or they may adopt a life of idleness. The rate which will sustain life in Canton, two cents a day, is allowed to each resident and they are permitted to increase their income *ad libitum* by begging. As we neared the village, large numbers of them, young and old, were pouring out from the wide open gate. It was a distressing sight. Not chiefly because of their sightless eyes, for with their walking sticks they moved boldly over the familiar ground. But they were a rough mob, starting out on their daily begging scramble; they pushed one another rudely and howled at us for *cash*. The village is taught nothing with which to occupy hands or hearts, except as the good Baptist women come to their rescue, so, while it is not necessary that any of them should lead bad lives, there is nothing to prevent it. The religions of China, whose outward evidences are omnipresent in Canton, whose rites have been punctiliously honored during thousands of years, have never produced a Dr. Howe or a Miss Sullivan.

Of all blind people in China, the little girls are supremely pitiable. They are sometimes poisoned by their parents, more often sold into most ignominious slavery. The stones under their feet ought to cry out when these helpless innocents, led by a cruel hag, pass in painted processions and singing evil songs, through the streets. So, when I entered the blind girls' schoolroom, over on the Presbyterian compound fronting the river, I knew that its walls should be called Salvation. Each child there may be claimed of God as the rescue of a soul. There were over twenty girls, most of them small, trained to industry and obedience, wearing interested faces and with modest manners. They read, using the Braille system, they practiced free gymnastics, recited long passages of Scripture in the Chinese singsong, and sang our Christian hymns sweetly. I saw their knitting,—firm, excellent face cloths, baby socks, mittens and wristers galore,—their crocheted mats and edgings. They were up early in the morning and active about the house, washing dishes, making beds, scrubbing floors. Of one odd, uncouth child, perhaps ten years old, the Chinese teacher boasted, "*She* splits the wood!" An unsolvable mystery to me. Some of the children are already intelligent Christians, and two or three who were rescued several years ago are now useful in school and Bible work. Nearly half of those I saw were *protégés* of the Baptist Mission and by them supported. For the food and clothing of the others, for the wages of a Chinese teacher and for house rent, Dr. Niles makes herself responsible, as well as for no small outlay of watchful care over her flock.

I was told of a similar Home for blind girls, built near Hong Kong, upon land donated for the purpose by Queen Victoria. It is under the auspices of a Ladies' Aid Society in Hildesheim, Germany.

At a rare afternoon reception in Canton, which brought together over fifty educated Chinese women, picked Christian workers all of them, one of the blind girls played the organ for us, while the rest from their perch on the staircase, in Sunday blue denim garments, (one shade lighter than the every-day denim), joined in our hymn-singing. Their seeing country women directed many a kind, motherly look towards that staircase group. The last I saw of the children was the day I was returning to Hong

Kong. As we were about to leave the mission premises, suddenly, soft music floating on the air caused me to turn my head about, and there, in a blue bunch on the upper verandah, were those gentle waifs giving me a parting song. It sounded like voices from the skies, and I sometimes hear them yet.

The school is a stone's throw from the great Hospital, whose history is practically covered, until Dr. Swan took charge a few years ago, by two names, Peter Parker and John G. Kerr. The present Hospital is the lineal successor of that founded by Dr. Parker in 1835. He also virtually originated the Medical Missionary Society in 1838, under whose auspices the Hospital has ever since been sustained. Its high reputation was built up by Dr. Kerr, through over forty laborious years. It would be interesting to know whether Chinese members of the Society are ever placed upon the management of the municipal hospital, or how much its course has been influenced by the older and foreign-directed institution. I was told of a Chinese dispensary in Canton, with a history of thirty years, which owes existence to missionary example.

At any rate, the machinery of the famous Hospital was not running for the benefit of one patient! Dr. Swan's wards did not seem to know that it was the New Year's season. At morning prayers, the benches were filled with bruised and battered humanity, a sight that once seen could never be forgotten. Some were on crutches, others with eyes bandaged, or throats patched with plasters. Many were pallid-faced, recovering from surgical operations, and one man had a particularly horrid growth on his cheek. Through the open doorway we could see coolies carrying their burdens on the highway, and now and again some passer-by came in to listen. I noticed that the Chinese who were seated were as reluctant to move along for late comers, as well-dressed people in American churches are. The printed hymns hung in rolls on the wall, and a man with a long stick pointed to the characters, on the men's side, as they sang, while a Chinese deaconess rendered the same service on the women's side of a high dividing screen. Dr. Swan himself played the organ and led the singing, and a Chinese evangelist, who has a record for persecution and faithfulness, gave a Scripture talk to a hushed room, and offered reverent prayer.

BLIND SCHOOL, CANTON, CHINA.

Generous facilities have been provided for the Hospital. I found the Roentgen Rays there, as in only one other mission hospital that I visited in Asia,—that at Madura, India. The school for women patients is a good thing. Hundreds have learned to read, and some, at least, to love and follow the Saviour.

Up at Fati, in Canton, is the seat of another noble philanthropy, but the Refuge for the Insane requires a chapter by itself.

IN OUR AFRICA MISSION: Churches, 14; membership, 1,850; added in 1903, 177. Sunday-school membership, 2,246—at Efulen "the whole congregation." African workers: ordained men, 3; preachers, 5; teachers, 23; other helpers, 24.

A Praise Service in Africa.

It would have done your heart good to be present with the missionaries at Batanga as they were gathered for a praise service last Thanksgiving evening. There were twenty-nine of us from all parts of the field. Old and young were there, Mrs. Ogden ever young in spirit, and the little boys of Rev. and Mrs. W. C. Johnston,—and all were happy. There were those whom we had just greeted for the first time as they landed two days before, whose buoyant spirits and happy faces inspired us all with new hope. Our Annual Mission Meeting had begun the day before and, from every station, reports told of a good year just completed; of victories wrought by God's holy Spirit, of souls laying hold on eternal life and of "The other" (the brighter) "side of Darkest Africa." Do you wonder that we were like one heart, and wanted to sing? Everybody sang, everybody was happy. Such hearty singing by such a large gathering of missionaries,—large for Africa,—was enjoyed by all, for it was good singing and, though the harmony of voices was delightful, I believe the truth of the words we sang was more so, to our hearts. We did want to "sing the matchless worth" of our Redeemer.

Such meetings are like oases in the journey. After a year of hard work during which there has been very little opportunity for the Christian fellowship which is so helpful, we feel doubly grateful for such a refreshing by the way.

F. G. Knauer.

In Memory of Rev. Chas. W. McCleary.

"They rest from their labors and their works do follow them."—*Rev. xiv: 13.*

Death comes not to God's own children,
But quietly, one by one,
We fold our hands in blessed rest,
When the last day's work is done.

And as tenderest, earthly father
Holds the little one in his arms,
Close pressed to his loving bosom
And no care or fear alarms,

So our loving, Heavenly Father
Folds us gently to His breast;
And we pass from earth's life of struggle
To Heaven's life of blessed rest.

FAIRFIELD, Iowa. *V. H. F.*

A First Personal Report to the Africa Mission.

We sailed from New York, Jan. 7, 1903, and arrived at Batanga Feb. 16. After a few days' rest at the beach, we started for Elat by way of Lolodorf. Here we spent four days very pleasantly with Dr. and Mrs. Lehman and Mr. Dager. Resuming our journey, we reached our destination March 4, where we received a hearty welcome from both missionaries and natives. The work was not new to Mr. McCleary, as it was to me, and he immediately adjusted himself to its needs, assuming one-half the church services, the medical work, the station books, and the task of overseeing the boys as they worked on the station premises. Together we took charge of the house, I dividing my time between domestic duties and study of the language. Three and one-half busy, happy months passed in this way. Then Mr. McCleary was taken ill and, after twelve days of intense yet patient suffering, was summoned by the Father to come up higher. He responded with these words, "Dear Father, I am ready, come and take me!" and the Father answered his prayer, leaving me alone. He held my hand through the struggle and gave me strength.

Kind friends were with me, sparing no effort to assist me, and showing how much of the divine nature the human heart can absorb. Acting upon their advice I went to Efulen, where I remained nearly three weeks. Then I returned to Elat, accompanied by Dr. and Mrs. Weber, and resumed my former

work, with the addition of Mrs. Weber's valuable assistance. We began a work with the women. We held a Sunday afternoon meeting in the church, two week-day meetings in towns near by, and gave a third afternoon to sewing. School-boys also made many demands for assistance and in this way our time has been occupied up to the present. As I look back upon the past eight months I can see apparently little good accomplished, but I feel that I have profited by my mistakes and gained something by my losses, therefore I am better prepared for another year's work. With the life example of my sainted husband before me, and a knowledge of the needs here, I feel I cannot turn back to America simply because the Master has required me to work alone. Therefore, I am here to do my part as long as He wills. No other plan seems to me worthy of the Saviour's words, "She hath done what she could."

(*Mrs. Chas. W.*) *Myrtle E. McCleary.*

From *Resolution* of the mission :

". . . We recognize in Mr. McCleary a man of sterling character, genial, considerate, wise and efficient, much in favor with God and man. He was a beloved disciple and leaned much on Jesus' breast. He walked with God like Enoch and was an epistle read with ease, edification and delight. . . His intense devotion to this field was illustrated by his eagerness and decision to return from furlough, though his stay on the field through ill health might be short. '*Better one year in Africa than ten years in America*' were his words. . . His tender, winning preaching, his translations of hymns and Scripture, his wise counsels, will live and be cherished among the Bulu. . ."

Batanga Field, Africa, 1903—From Report.

[Opening with a characteristic Africa experience.]

The year 1903 opened with this station well manned, ten missionaries (including Mr. and Mrs. Menkel, who were at Benito and did not return until July 19,) having been appointed to Batanga. But, from one cause or another, only Miss Nassau and Mr. Knauer have been here during the entire year. Dr. Nassau left in January.

The first break occurred January 12, when the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Adams died. The shock to the parents was very great and it was thought best for them to go to Lolodorf for a few weeks' change of scene. In May, Mr. Adams broke down from overwork and was compelled to take a health change, first to Libreville with Mrs. Adams, and later as his recovery was very slow, by steamer.

After having fevers repeatedly, it was decided that the children of Mr. and Mrs. Knauer would have to return to America, and that Mrs. Gault should also go, to assist Mrs. Knauer in care of them. Meantime an urgent call came from Elat, sorely stricken by the death of the dearly beloved Mr. McCleary and the almost fatal illness of Mr. Fraser. Dr. and Mrs. Weber responded.

Mrs. Adams was absent at Efulen during September and October, in response to a call for special help there. In November she was critically ill with fever but, through the mercy of God, was spared for further service. In view of this record of interruptions, by illness, death, and other contingencies, it will readily be seen that missionary work has suffered severely.

The field of Batanga Station covers a strip of coast some sixty miles long, inhabited by about 9,000 people, with three organized churches and 680 members. During the year there were thirty additions on examination. Mr. Knauer had oversight of the churches and native workers. Of the latter there are one ordained man, two licentiates, and four Bible readers, one of whom is supported by the people. Amount contributed to evangelistic work was about 475 marks.

Schools.—Eleven of all kinds. The boys' boarding and day school averaged attendance of seventy-four and one-half. A small fee was for the first time required. A beginning of self-support was also made in the village schools, and though the sums contributed represent only a small part of the cost of the schools, they are of the greatest importance as the first manifestation on the part of the people of willingness to pay something for education.

In August the boys' school was opened to girls, who were given instruction in sewing by Mrs. Menkel; twenty were enrolled. This arrangement has proved very satisfactory.

Medical work is now nearly self-supporting. The fees are no hardship to the people, for they are very much less than the native "doctors" demand for their services. They have little or no money, but their mevanda, bananas, plantain, eggs, etc., are as good as money to them. At the dispensary an average of eight new patients have been treated daily, and those returning averaged three each day. Twelve major and twenty-six minor operations have been performed. During eleven months receipts were: $108.02 from natives, $119.12 from traders, officials, etc.; total, $227.14.

Native Christians and inquirers just out of barbarism cannot be judged by twentieth century standards, but must rather be treated with the forbearance which the early fathers exercised toward the first century Christians. The work is the Lord's. We do not complain because it is hard. We labor cheerfully where He has placed us, knowing that He will look to the results.

Albert G. Adams.

GIRLS' SCHOOL, BATANGA STATION.

This school has entered upon its tenth year. Its chief aim has always been to give to African girlhood the ability to read for herself. Other helpful studies and exercises have been added. A beginning has been made by which the skill and industry of any pupil may be made remunerative to her, thus making it possible for her to help in church collections as well as supplying herself with books. The names of 120 on the roll indicate the number of homes into which these little ones bring some gospel truth and influence, by the hymns, psalms, catechism and prayers which they memorize even before they are able to read. Though a tiny thing to speak of, it is a joy to think of the dear little brown girls in the poor homes, repeating with closed eyes, "Now I lay me down to sleep." Two-thirds of the pupils are in the primary department. A large proportion are members of the church. One girl professed her faith in Christ; several others are in catechumen class. They sustain a Sabbath afternoon prayer meeting. We have also a Christian Endeavor Band of young women and girls composed only of professing Christians.

It is most encouraging that former pupils, now married women, are coming back to school to revive their knowledge. Leaving the hard work in their towns, with a restless baby in their arms, they will sit and read and recite for an hour, and then pleasantly excuse themselves, and return to their towns with some happy thought to lighten their toil. It pays a thousand times, to witness what comfort and brightness the gospel brings into the lives of African women.

Isabella A. Nassau.

Benito Affairs.

Were our friends here, they would find much to interest them in connection with our new house, besides walls and windows, with the quiet which (in the picture) seems to pervade all. Had we known just when the young native photographer was to take his view, the grounds might have been crowded with boys and girls of all ages and sizes, who were at the time demurely seated on school benches. They would have heartily welcomed the diversion thus afforded. Of the four who chanced to be in the vicinity and stationed themselves on the porch, three are Christians; the other is a little girl from the Evune tribe. Just at the corner of the house stands a coffee tree which, when covered with its white blossoms, perfumes the entire air.

Besides its usual occupants, the house holds at present our good friends Mr. and Mrs. Ford, whose coming has done much for our people and ourselves. We are looking forward with apprehension to Annual Meeting, fearing they may be removed from here to meet the crying wants of some station even less adequately supplied than Benito. Judging from the sounds which at this moment issue from the room on the extreme left, Mrs. Ford is taking her lesson in the vernacular. The hearty laughter proceeding therefrom now and then does good like a tonic to us more sedate ones,

and goes to prove that the student does not lose heart, even when Benga prefixes and idioms do confuse and bring about laughable episodes.

Friends who have contributed to the cost of the new building, will be glad to know that it is airy and roomy, strongly and well built, and, thus far, almost entirely free from many sorts of pestiferous insects and vermin, such as infested the decaying posts and beams of the old dwelling. We have a large guest-room, which is at the disposal of any of our friends who can make it practicable to occupy the same for a longer or shorter period. Our endeavor is to make our house a veritable home, and we find that it pays.

NEW MISSION DWELLING AT BENITO.

I have been able to visit the people in their own houses more frequently of late and, while saddened by the suffering and degradation attendant upon heathen lives, one is able to give a little aid and comfort here and there. We marvel more and more at those who, coming out from it all, are able to walk as children of the light, though surrounded by temptations and difficulties which might well test the faith of those in more favored lands. Pray earnestly for such, and for those who are striving to bring them to the true light. *R. H. de Heer.*

Churches.—Of the five churches in Benito district, the most northerly, at Bata, twenty-five miles by land from Benito, has lost its pastor by death; the most southerly is fifteen miles from the station, at Hanji—pastor, Rev. Frank Myongo. Total additions in 1903 were forty-two. The people themselves are building a house of worship at Evune, and also at Melega where there is no organized church.

Schools.—Seven schools outside of Benito are supervised by Rev. Frank Hickman. The girls' boarding-school at Benito numbered nearly forty. Two united with the church and four joined the inquiry class.

MRS. REUTLINGER says:

Most of the girls came from distant places. Five were from the Island of Corisco and the adjacent mainland; five from Evune, several from Bata and Hanji, one a Bapuku, and two Boheba children.

The little ones from the nearer villages were gathered into a day-school, taught by one of our girls until her marriage.

One of Dr. Lippert's Bulu Stories, Retold.

Osom, an elder in Élat church, the son of a chief, would have inherited his father's estate, or the bulk of it, had not his conversion made him poor.

The first time he attended worship and heard the gospel, he returned to his dwelling so moody, so morose, that his wife asked what was the matter. He said he had heard something about himself and he did not like it. "Don't go any more then," she said. Yet he did go again and returned still more displeased, whereat she asked why he went. Osom replied that he did not want to go but could not help it; something drew him. One day the text was John iii: 16, and he awoke to the fact that he was not regarded as a mean, despicable wretch merely, but as a precious child. "Does it mean me?" he asked eagerly, and being assured that the words were for him, he returned to his house in such joy as made him leap, so that his wife heard of his antics before he came in

sight. When he arrived, she inquired if he was going to be a Christian. "I cannot help it," he said. "Then," said she, "I will leave you." She had looked forward to high position as head of many wives, but now she saw nothing but drudgery before her. Osom reasoned with his wife, however, and persuaded her to remain, promising that he would make it worth her while. And he soon convinced her of the truth of the promise, going with her to the garden, taking the heavy end of all burdens, relieving her in a way that made him the laughing-stock of the men.

Osom was constantly preaching to one or two, to whomever would hear. Finally the missionaries asked if he would go and tell the gospel to a neighboring tribe, within three days' journey, to whom it had been impossible for them to go. He readily agreed and was to return in three weeks. When the time had passed and day after day he did not come, they were about to send after him when he appeared. He explained that his reception by those long-time enemies of his tribe had been kind, and they were so eager to hear that he could not leave at the set time. They said, however: "You seem to be telling the truth and we want to believe, but we know that black men are not truthful. If a white man comes and tells us this, we will believe. Go and get a white man to come to us."

With only his little garden to provide him food, and one wife to help cultivate it; so poor that he cannot get even a cloth except by serving as a carrier, to earn one, Osom proves his sincerity so well, that from being a "cultivator of ferocity," as a chief's son must be, if he is to keep possession of his wives whom others continually try to steal, he now cultivates veracity and has great store of it, that no thief can break through and steal. *E. McCalla.*

A Young Man's Fourth Year Personal Report.

Since the missionaries left Lolodorf last March, I have made three visits there, spending the second Sabbath of April, May and October and conducting the service. On these visits I found the work and place well cared for by those who were left in charge. Ndeñge has been doing very well with the evangelistic department. The morning service, October 11, had the largest attendance I have seen at Lolodorf, the church which seats about 250 being more than crowded.

June was in many ways the most trying month of the year, when I was not only called upon to help care for the sick, but also to make the coffin and conduct the funeral service of our beloved brother McCleary.

With the exceptions mentioned and three other communion Sabbaths, I have spent all my Sabbaths holding meetings in surrounding towns: Azem, six, and Anyn Zok seven and a half miles west; Bibulumam and Nko étyé, nine and a half and thirteen miles east. Attendance at these meetings has varied from 125 to 250. At Bibulumam, a number have expressed their desire to become Christians; they are building a meeting house in one of the towns near by.

Starting August 22, I made a trip of twenty-four days into the interior, going east through Bulu for about forty miles, then north through Bene to the Nlong River about 150 miles from Élat. I went through a part of Bene which had not been visited before, and found more people and larger towns near the Nlong than I have seen anywhere in Bulu. I returned by a more direct path to the west, where towns were smaller and people not so numerous. I took with me five boys who carried my food, clothing and other luggage without pay; helping in this way to give the gospel to those who know little or nothing of it. The use of a bicycle was a great help not only in making the journey easier, but also in drawing crowds. Meetings were held in almost all the towns and well attended, about four thousand hearing the gospel of whom perhaps three thousand heard it for the first time. The year has had its trials and difficulties but also its blessings, and I believe I can say that it has been the best year I have spent in Africa.

Harry D. Salveter.

"Mrs. Weber has a splendid vocabulary for one year's work in Bulu."
—*Report* of Language Committee.

The Feud, a Story of Fang Life.

[The author, a naturalist, has lived several years among the Fang and knows them well.—Ed.]

A man of the Esen clan had been killed by their enemies, the Amvom. After some days a palaver was held to divide the dead man's estate and decide to whom his seven widows should be given. These were seated in the burning sunshine on the ground, half way down the yellow clay street, facing the assembled company. In the open end of the palaver house, at the far end of the street, sat the most important men of the clan, while down both sides, squatted in the shade of the low projecting palmleaf roofs, was a miscellaneous crowd from that and surrounding villages. After much oratory from the men interested, an arrangement was at last agreed to and the palaver broke up, to be followed in the evening by a great dance with drumming until midnight.

When young Ngon lay down that night on his palm-stalk bed he considered that he had become an important man. Before his father's death he had one wife; now he had three. He had also store of iron rods and spearheads sufficient to purchase another wife. He was in a fair way to become a great man. As the fire blazed up, its light glinted upon the brass tackheads with which his gunstock was lavishly decorated. He was proud of this gun, which was the only one in the village and had come from the white men in the far West. As he looked at it, a passion stronger than desire for wealth and greatness took possession of him. We in our clumsy language can only explain it by a combination of words and call it a sullen rage and grief. But one deep-toned word was enough for him,—he felt *olun*.

Ngon waited his opportunity for many months, and at last accomplished that which made him without question a great man among his people. He killed an enemy with his own hands. Many times had he and his men concealed themselves along the forest paths leading to the village of the Amvom, but the enemy was too wary for them. At length the day came that Ngon leveled the brass-embossed gun from behind a tree at the son of his enemy, who was passing alone and unsuspecting, and sent an iron fragment tearing into his chest. The wound was mortal. In a few hours the wailing of the women resounded from the plantations of old Bibane's village, the Amvom man who had killed Ngon's father, and whose son was now dead, in revenge. Then the Amvom death-drum boomed through the forest and Ngon heard it with fierce delight. Now the *olun* was removed from his breast.

In Ngon's village, however, this was the beginning of a period of alarms, for old Bibane was a man to take revenge with interest, and the Amvom were a powerful clan. Often at dead of night, or daybreak, the cry would be raised, "The Amvom are coming!" and for many moons the women never went to the plantations except when three or four armed men went before and behind them in the path. Ngon himself with his gun usually headed the company, and kept strict watch of the gloomy border of the forest, while his wives dug cassava and filled their baskets, or cut bunches of plantains or bananas and bound them with plantain-leaf fibres for carrying on the back. But no Amvom appeared, and Ngon began to keep less strict watch.

One day, his most diligent wife, young Asangon, went to a plantain grove far from the village, and came back reporting other enemies to be watched besides the Amvom. The plantain stalks were twisted and eaten off and all the grass and bushes around were trodden flat. Elephants! A few nights of their depredations would cause famine in the village. So, with some of his young men, Ngon went to the place, built a hut of palm stalks, prepared a bed, gathered fuel for a fire, and returned to the village. At dusk a party of three might be seen picking their way along the swampy path leading to the plantain grove. First was Ngon with his gun and a gum torch lighted to show the way and frighten evil spirits in the dark forest. Asangon followed with their little son astride her right hip, sitting in a wide strap of monkey skin which was slung on the mother's shoulder. They

were going to sleep out in the hut for the purpose of scaring away the elephants. Two nights the repose of the little family was unbroken. The big beasts were evidently aware of something unusual on their new feeding ground, and kept away. It was noticed by Ngon's other wives, during these days, that Asangon showed great alacrity in going out to spend the night alone with her husband and baby. It probably never occurred to her to form a distinct wish for such a happy state as to be Ngon's only wife, but her happiness in the present arrangement was none the less keen, and was made all the keener by the apprehension that it would not last long.

The third night, at the end of the second sleep, when the forest hyrax utters its startling cry, there was a cracking of bushes heard. "Elephants," said Asangon. Ngon rose, took his gun, went out into the moonlight and fired a charge of powder. There was a crackling plunge as the frightened beasts went off into the forest. Next morning Ngon went out to see which way the elephants had gone. He found a plain trail, marked by big tracks, broken saplings, and here and there a stump rubbed smooth, leading away along a stream towards an uninhabited region. Ngon determined to kill an elephant. He went back to the village, found a large iron spearhead, rubbed it with the poison of mashed strophanthus seeds, and went again with his young men to the forest. As they set out, his white-haired old mother cautioned him to look out for the Amvom. "They are a crafty lot and want to cut your throat and eat you." But the young men declared that Bibane's people were far away on a hunt.

Having inserted the poisoned spearhead in the end of a small log and hung it by a strong vine from the limb of a tree over the elephant trail, securing the end of the vine in such a manner that, when the bushes along the path were brushed aside, it would be loosened and the spear let drop, they started to return. Arriving at the grove where the hut was, they found Asangon and the baby waiting. Ngon remained to spend the night, and early next morning he and his wife set forth, walking as usual, he ahead with his gun, she behind carrying the little boy in the monkey skin strap. As they went through a bit of uncleared forest, suddenly at a turn of the path a spear whizzed past his shoulder and he saw among the trees the face of his old enemy, the Amvom headman, Bibane. In a moment Ngon raised his gun and pulled the trigger, but the white man's weapon failed him this time. The powder flashed in the pan and that was all. At the same moment he heard a cry behind him and turned, to see his little son pierced with the spear that had missed himself and dying in his mother's arms. Two Amvom men sprang out upon him and all he could do was to escape into the forest, leaving his boy dead and his wife a captive. It was now in the Esen villages and plantations that wailing was heard.

In the dusk of the following morning while all the village were still in their beds, Ngon's voice was heard in the street, rousing them from their sleep. "People of this village," he cried, "descendants of Ndon Amvam, who first came from the east and founded this settlement, I am Ngon Nzui, son of Nzui Amvam, son of Amvam Ndon, son of Ndon Amvam; I am headman of this village. Bibane bi Mba of the Amvom clan killed my father, Nzui Amvam, and now he has killed my child, captured my wife and tried to take my own life. May the man of the Esen clan and family of Amvam, who fails to help me secure revenge, see his own people dead corpses! And my revenge will not be complete till I have eaten the flesh of the arm that threw that spear yesterday."

This grewsome threat was literally fulfilled. Many seasons passed before the opportunity came for Ngon to fulfill his vow. But it came at last, and the dead body of his old enemy and the slayer of his child was in his possession. Two of his wives knew what was to be done with the right arm, for they prepared the bundles of meat for Ngon's feast. Some of his closest friends and dependents joined him in it, but there was no dancing or story-telling, and not many words were ever spoken about it by his people. The memory of it weighed upon their spirits, and was attended by feelings approaching shame and loathing.

Geo. L. Bates.

Elat Station Report for 1903—Extracts.

Day-school, in charge of Mr. Fraser, had two terms of twelve weeks each. Largest attendance 392; smallest, 110. Sixty pupils have been reading portions of Bulu New Testament. During the second term, Mrs. Weber taught German to a class of twelve boys. The boarding pupils have spent their afternoons in the field and accomplished a vast amount of labor, many having emerged from little-boyhood.

The time is past when material inducements need to be offered in order to secure pupils. Where formerly boys had to be begged and bought, there is now competition for a place. When the dormitories were full, boys came saying, "Let us stay, we will sleep in the saw-pit and under the house, and live on sweet potatoes." So a score or more did. Over three hundred of them came and said individually, "I want to acknowledge God." During vacations, they held many meetings in their villages, and, in at least four, built suitable houses in which to hold services. By God's grace, many young fellows have been kept from falling and have let their light shine in dark places.

WHAT DO YOU THINK OF US ÉLAT BOYS,
our books and slates, and the school bell on its high frame? Look sharp and you will see Mr. Fraser in the rear.

Sabbath morning service has averaged attendance of 500, increased to 700 while school was in session. The people have been eager to hear the Word, and there has been great joy in preaching Christ to the crowds. Scarcely a day of the year has passed without one or more persons coming to declare faith in Christ and tell of their desire to forsake sin. The coming, thus, of hundreds of confessors is not understood to mean so many converts genuinely convicted of sin. The movement does suggest a pretty general shaking of the foundations of heathen life and belief, a thinking of God, and sin, and eternity, on the part of very many people, and the return to God of at least some who shall be saved. The people need long probation and much instruction, for they are densely ignorant and are to be persecuted and sorely tempted. Six adults have been received to the church, making the membership now twelve, at the end of the first year since organization. *Melvin Fraser.*

HAVE THE BULU FEELING?

Mrs. Mary Hays Johnson constantly sent messages of love and encouragement to the Christians at Efulen, until they settled into the habit of coming for news at the arrival of each mail. When her last message came saying, "Tell old Nana that I will meet her in heaven," it was announced on Sabbath morning in church. There was such a hush, while tears rolled down many cheeks, that we said: "Behold, how they loved her."—From *Resolution* by Mission.

AFRICA.

MR. EDWARD A. FORD wrote from BENITO, in the summer:

While in Syria we found a steamer sailing direct to Liverpool which offered an excellent opportunity for putting into execution a plan I had cherished for many years, that is, to try the Syrian donkeys out here. The climate there for a great part of the year is hotter than that of Africa, and they are used to hard work and heavy loads. If they could be bred here, we would have not only riding animals, but serviceable pack animals for inland transport. So we bought three and shipped them to England, and thence brought them along with ourselves, stalls having been built for them on the deck of the *Sekondi*. Three or four varieties of large flies are bleeding them badly, so that we are making fly blankets for the two dark donkeys. Curiously enough, the white one does not seem to have a single bite! Mrs. DeHeer and Mrs. Reutlinger have bought the white one and named her "Nyack."

We are pretty well settled now. Mrs. Ford is to open a day-school for girls to-morrow. She has also begun gardening, with seeds of vegetables from Sidon, melons from Alexandria, flowers from "the garden tomb" in Jerusalem, and fruits from various places. For my part I have oversight of the boys' school, with a native teacher and an assistant who teaches Spanish. Mr. Hickman keeps the supervision of the boys out of school. I have also the oversight of workmen, care of the boats, buying food, etc. Last Sunday, I made my first evangelistic trip with a donkey, to a Balingi town about ten miles away. As I am not familiar with the dialects used here, I shall have to employ an interpreter for some time.

The messenger starts by beach for Batanga, to-morrow morning, to take our home-going mail. The Spanish postal system is such that we prefer to receive our mail in this way, rather than to incur the probability of not receiving it at all.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

MRS. JAS. B. RODGERS wrote from MANILA, some weeks ago:

. . . A very important and joyful event has been the dedication of our Tondo native church. You know this is the first really, truly *church* built by Protestants in this land. There have been many little bamboo and thatch chapels built, like native houses, and there have been "temporary structures," but this is the first ecclesiastical building and it has excited great interest and admiration among natives, Americans and foreigners. Warm congratulations were received from all denominations. We thought the Rev. Mercer G. Johnston, rector of the Episcopal Church, was

PARTICULARLY HAPPY IN

his words of fellowship. We did wish that all the good friends who have so generously helped to build this church, could have been present to enjoy the occasion, though where we could have put them I do not know. There were over a thousand people in the building which is not supposed to seat seven hundred, and there were said to bo as many outside as in. Since the dedication there have been meetings every night. Last Sunday the first communion in the new church was celebrated. Thirty men and women were received and baptized—a fine-looking race of people. Another

IMPORTANT AND HAPPY EVENT

was the arrival of our four new missionaries, Mr. and Mrs. Brown, Mr. Wright and Mr. Rath. The same boat brought a sweet bride to Mr. Black of the American Board. He is stationed in Mindanao. Mr. Rodgers married them on board the *Siberia* before they came ashore, and we had the pleasure of giving the wedding dinner. The next night, ladies of the English congregation gave the newly married missionaries a beautiful reception. Mr. and

Mrs. McClure of our Siam Mission were also on the *Siberia* and spent the night with us. We were very glad to meet them in this way. Dinners and lunches are the order of the day, for the new people, and two days more will see us all starting for Dumaguete to Mission Meeting. We hope to reach there in time for Thanksgiving dinner and shall have a busy time with Mission Meeting, Presbytery, and dedication of the new school building.

ANOTHER RECRUIT HEARD FROM.

Rev. Roy H. Brown, at Manila:

After a two days' residence here, we write of our safe arrival and the joy we feel in being, at last, where we have so long thought of being. . . Glad we were when we came in sight of Corrigidor and I am in hopes a portion of Dewey's spirit came upon us to go and take the land for our King of kings. "He that is for us is more than they that be against us," and thinking of that we came gladly into the harbor. Mr. Hillis and Mr. Rodgers came out to meet us and made us feel immediately at home. Sunday we went to Tondo church; heard Mr. Rodgers preach in Spanish and the Filipino preacher translate into Tagalog. The work of learning the language dawned upon us as never before. The stock of those missionaries who have learned it went up a number of degrees.

Dumaguete, November.—Thanksgiving Day we came here to Mission Meeting, where we have learned many things about devotion to Christ's work. Men and women did not hold their own opinions for a moment, when they were made to feel that the good of the Kingdom required their giving up cherished plans. Silliman Institute is flourishing. The leading men are great friends of the missionaries. Sunday Mr. Jansen was ordained; he has been working in Cebu and done wonders there. The city of Cebu is a night's sail from Dumaguete. Mr. Jansen was so anxious that his converts should see the ordination, that he paid the way of fifty of them over here. How they did sing! The Filipino preacher is a wonderful fellow, in eloquence and training. He is a tower of strength in Cebu. They have been stoned and as the stones fell round about, they have prayed the harder. This preacher, Ricardo, is paid only $40 (Mex.) and he could get $75 (gold), a great sum for a Filipino, working for a business house, but he will not be led away by such inducements. The Catholics are doing everything to get him to come back to them. But he preaches the gospel with ever-increasing power. One such man is worth all the money spent on missions here in the islands.

We are to be stationed by ourselves at Legaspi, in the province of Albay, and we want your prayers for the guidance of God's Spirit in our new work and that He may lead us completely.

CHINA.

ANOTHER OF THE NEW RECRUITS.

Dr. Louise H. Keator wrote from Peking:

I am so thankful to be in China. I am studying the language and enjoy it much. Each new word I add to my vocabulary thrills me with delight, for I know it is one step nearer to being able to tell the Chinese of the "Great Physician"—the sympathizing Jesus.

Miss Lindholm reported her safe return from furlough to Shanghai:

I am so glad to be back again and to put on the old harness. We have fifty-four girls in boarding-school and they do take up a good deal of time. Miss Cogdal is just now teaching them a hymn for Christmas and the strains of "Christ came down from Heaven to Earth, Hallelujah!" are filling the air. This is a three-part hymn and they sing very well.

We are getting something ready for the St. Louis Exhibition,—a rather large doll with embroidered clothes made by the girls, and a scroll with photographs, samples of writing, etc. There is a day-school of twenty or more pupils under my charge and they are also enjoying preparations for Christmas.

KOREA.

Mrs. M. M. Null, M.D., wrote from Taiku, last December:

We arrived in Taiku Nov. 4, and were warmly welcomed by Mr. and Mrs. Bruen and Dr. Eva Field. Taiku is a walled city with a population of 65,000. It is located in a fertile valley surrounded by high mountains. The Presbyterian compound, containing three houses and the hospital, all of brick, with tiled roofs in Korean style, is on a hill outside the wall. The hospital is not yet furnished. Dr. Null runs the dispensary in some of the rooms. Our practice is limited to eight patients a day, to give us time for study. There are so many sick people, it is hard to tell which eight to treat. These people are very appreciative, and it is a pleasure to help them.

Mr. Bruen received thirty-seven catechumens during his last itineration. Groups of Christians are springing up all through the country. Dr. Field has been here itinerating the last three months. The women sit around

and listen until she is tired and hoarse; when she stops they call, "More, more!"

We live in the house built for Dr. Johnson. There are six pleasant rooms, one of which is occupied by Dr. Johnson's furniture. I know we shall enjoy our home. We received our first letter from America, Nov. 29; have only had one letter since, no newspaper. Just imagine! Only five people, out of the world like this. Still, I am perfectly happy and am

GLAD I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO COME.

In the evening, after our day of language study, we take long walks over the hills or go hunting, for exercise. The hunting is fine and, as we have no meat but canned goods and chicken, the game is very acceptable. Thanksgiving Day, one of the men brought in fourteen ducks. We roasted four of them and gave an old-fashioned Thanksgiving dinner. We all wore our best, and dinner was followed by a praise service. Not so different from the American holiday, only we were ahead of you about fourteen hours.

UNIQUE ENTERTAINING.

The annual study class is being held. The Christian women come from all over this province for a ten days' Bible study. There are forty attending. Some have walked, their only means of travel, fifty miles. One woman came in with feet badly blistered; some carried babies on their backs. One old lady, partly paralyzed, walked thirty-three miles. Dr. Field and Mr. Bruen are teaching them. Our house being in order now, I have given three "sight-sees." You should hear the women exclaim! They say as they look up at the ceilings, "*Aigo!* surely this is heaven!" Tuesday evening I was asked to entertain them. It rained all day, but forty women came, all barefooted, carrying their stockings in their hands. I had two tubs of warm water on the porch and big bath towels handy. Each woman stepped into the tub and after drying her feet put on her clean stockings. Imagine that in Chicago! Wouldn't it be unique? Mrs. Bruen brought over some mechanical toy animals, which were considered very wonderful. Dr. Field played the piano and all sang. Mark, the dog, performed. Mr. Bruen would place some bread before him and the dog would bow his head but not eat until Mr. Bruen said "Now." A woman exclaimed, "Even the dog prays before he eats!" We served refreshments of rice bread, dates, a taffy made of rice and barley, and tea. Koreans express their appreciation by smacking their lips and the one who smacks the loudest is supposed to be the most polite. You could hear them drinking their tea, when in another room with the door closed.

I am not of much use yet; all I can do is to hunt the hymns for old ladies at church. I help Mrs. Bruen teach the little girls Monday afternoons and have a few patients. The climate is excellent, but it lacks oxygen or something. I require more sleep than I did at home. We never felt better in our lives.

PERSIA.

HOW THEY SPENT THEIR HONEYMOON.

MRS. JESSIE WILSON LAWRENCE, M.D., of KAZVIN says:

After a very pretty wedding in the mission chapel at Teheran, my husband and I returned to Kazvin and, after a month's stay here, we went to a mountain village called Tazar Kash, twenty-five miles away. We rented a house from a prominent Sayid, whose wife I had treated some time before. Dr. Lawrence's teacher accompanied us, and the chief work of the summer was language study—Persian and Turkish. We were visited by many people from surrounding villages and tents, seeking medical assistance, which gave us splendid opportunities to preach. The women of Tazar Kash spent a great deal of time in the gardens, especially during the apricot, almond, and walnut season. Several times I met numbers of them out under the trees, and read and talked with them. We visited seven neighboring villages, the most important being Kuishkeen, where Miss Jewett and I had stopped over night.

Our host of that time sent twice to Tazar Kash inviting us to come over and spend a few days as his guest. Having sent us horses to ride we went, a distance of twelve miles, spending two days and meeting fifty persons, who came in little groups, some of them asking to hear the Book. We had a long and quiet talk with our host and his uncle, both of whom seem well acquainted with the gospel, Miss Jewett having presented them a copy. We returned to Kazvin from our summering, glad to be home once more to take up city work.

We desire to emphasize the opportunity which that part of Persia bordering on the Caspian Sea affords. If the Governor's estimate is correct, the population of Resht is not far from 100,000; of Ghilan, about a million; of Mazendaran, a million; and the province is without a witness for Christ known to us. Ghilan has two American missionaries, one Armenian evangelist, one school teacher and one Swedish missionary.

HOME DEPARTMENT

REPORT OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE ON UNITED STUDY OF MISSIONS.

By Mrs. Norman Mather Waterbury.

[A paper read at the Interdenominational Conference of Women's Boards of Missions, January, 1904.]

In a meeting of the World's Committee held at the close of the Ecumenical Conference, April 30, 1900, a committee was appointed which should aid towards a more systematic and united study of missions. This committee consisted of members appointed from five denominations—Methodist Episcopal, Congregational, Presbyterian, Protestant Episcopal, and Baptist. The plan of United Study first took shape in the mind of Miss Abbie B. Child, Secretary of the Woman's Board of Missions, Boston, and Chairman of the World's Committee. She was at once elected chairman of this new committee, of which the other members were Mrs. J. T. Gracey, Miss Ellen C. Parsons, Mrs. Mary A. E. Twing, and Mrs. N. M. Waterbury. The first meeting was held in Boston, Sept. 25, 1900. By invitation of the chairman, Miss Clementina Butler of the Methodist Church was present, and later she became the Secretary and Treasurer of this Central Committee on the United Study of Missions.

That the time was ripe for this movement was indicated by the immediate call for some plan of study. In response to this demand, a folder was issued entitled "Christian Missions in the Nineteenth Century," consisting of six programmes prepared by various members of the committee, and referring to the Report of the Ecumenical Conference as a general reference book.

Later, it was decided to venture upon the publication of a book, the first of a series, to consist of six chapters and dealing with the beginnings of missions. Miss Louise Manning Hodgkins, M.A., was asked to undertake its preparation. This was in the spring of 1901, and the book was desired for use in the early fall. Miss Hodgkins declined, but finally under protest yielded to the earnest and repeated appeals of the committee and to her own convictions regarding the need of such systematic study. Through the heat of the summer she toiled, a true pioneer in a noble cause. The result was *Via Christi: An Introduction to the Study of Missions*, which has found its way into missionary societies from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and even across the seas, and has sold forty-six thousand copies.

The second of the series, *Lux Christi: An Outline Study of India*, by Caroline Atwater Mason, with the added momentum of the year before, found a still more cordial reception. In the eighteen months since publication forty-one thousand copies have been sold.

Rex Christus: An Outline Study of China, is the third volume of the series. The committee took steps to secure an author as early as possible, but the sudden death of Miss Child, who had begun correspondence with Dr. Arthur H. Smith, caused a break in the plans. Dr. Smith, who was in the interior of China, fully six weeks away, wrote that he could not undertake the work in connection with his other duties and complete it within the time set. The unsettled state of affairs in China caused delay in the mails, and the committee spent an anxious three months until the matter could be finally decided. It was a happy day when Dr. Smith consented to undertake the work, and an immense relief when the manuscript of the first chapter arrived. The book came in sections, in order that it might be put into the hands of the editor, Miss Frances J. Dyer, who was chosen to arrange material in a form to correspond with the preceding text-books.

No man is so well qualified as Dr. Smith to write of the great Empire of China, and no man, we are sure, could have been more gracious and kind in granting a request which seemed to him well nigh impossible. That the book was in the hands of the publishers July 10th, and on the market before the end of August, seemed little less than a miracle. In four and one-half months the sales have been thirty thousand. One

of the chief values of this series is in the excellent bibliography which each author has provided. Heretofore it has been almost impossible to obtain such lists as these.

PUBLISHERS.

It has not been difficult to find publishers. The fact of a constituency so well assured by our many Woman's Boards made this pathway easy. The Macmillan Company, being an international house, and one well and widely known, was finally selected. An agreement was made that authors should receive ten per cent., and the committee a share in the profits, to be used for printing and other necessary expenses. It must be understood that the committee in starting was absolutely without funds, with the exception of donations, in no case exceeding $10, from the Boards represented on the committee, with contributions of $5 each from a few other Boards. After some months of anxiety as to ways and means, we can now report all liabilities met and a comfortable balance in the treasury. It has been possible to secure good trade discounts from the publishers, forty per cent. on orders of one hundred or more, and forty and five per cent. on lots of one thousand, with an even better promise for the future, so that the Boards have had a margin of profit. The aim has been to give to our Woman's Boards every advantage, as the only expenses of the committee have been for printing programmes and circulars, express, postage, and traveling expenses to the necessary business meetings, for storage, and some slight secretarial expense.

After the publication of *Via Christi* in 1901, it was decided to issue a series of twenty-four pictures illustrating the subject. They were not widely used. The following year the committee was able to send out a set of pictures on India with satisfactory results. The pictures illustrating *Rex Christus* have had a wide circulation. It has been possible to furnish them to Boards at a very low rate and still cover the cost.

Thus far the effort to secure a satisfactory wall map has been unsuccessful. The cost of making an accurate map is very great, and the committee has not been in a financial position hitherto to undertake this. The text-books have contained small maps.

(To be concluded next month.)

CHINA FOR JUNIORS—CHAPTER I.

[The plan is as follows: 5 pp. simple text with illustrations, followed by one p. "Puzzle Sketch," and one p. devoted to "Questions," "Programme" and definitions of Chinese words.]

PROGRAMME FOR BAND MEETING.

I. Singing, "We're a Band of Mission Workers," etc.
II. Prayer. III. Singing, "I Gave My Life for Thee."
IV. Roll Call. (Responses: Names of Chinese cities, rivers, mountains, etc.)
V. Three-minute Paper on the Rivers of China. VI. Life on a House-Boat (story).
VII. Map Talk (with use of Progressive Maps.) VIII. Bible Promises.
IX. Prayer. X. Singing, The Crusaders' Hymn, "Fairest Lord Jesus."

QUESTIONS ON CHAPTER I.

1. Give five names by which China is known.
2. Where is it mentioned in the Bible? Give book, chapter and verse.
3. How many provinces are there in China proper?
4. How do these compare in position with the United States?
5. Why is the Yellow River called "China's Sorrow?"
6. How far does navigation extend upon the Yangtse?
7. Mention three great cities of China and tell where they are situated.
8. How and for what purpose was the Grand Canal built?
9. Why was the Great Wall built?
10. How many people are there in China? What proportion is this to the population of the world?

SINCE LAST MONTH.

MARRIAGE:

December 2, 1903.—In the seminary chapel, Canton, China, by Rev. W. Clifton Dodd of Laos, assisted by Rev. Andrew Beattie, Ph.D., of Canton, Miss Lilian E. Marks of the M. E. Mission, Ajmere, India, to John Franklin Kelly, M.D., appointed missionary to Hainan.

DEATH:

October 24, 1903.—At Pitsanuloke, Siam, Albert, infant son of Dr. and Mrs. W. B. Toy.

RESIGNATIONS:

Rev. Frederick G. Knauer, Africa Mission. Appointed 1897.
Mrs. Knauer (Addie Halle), Africa Mission. Appointed 1898.

TO THE AUXILIARIES.

[FOR ADDRESS OF EACH HEADQUARTERS AND LIST OF OFFICERS SEE THIRD PAGE OF COVER.]

From Philadelphia.

Send all letters to 501 Witherspoon Building. Directors' meeting first Tuesday of the month at 10.30 o'clock. Prayer-meeting third Tuesday, at 11 o'clock. Cordial invitation extended to each meeting.

March. Prayer Union.—*Our Presbyterial Societies.*

THE thirty-fourth anniversary of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia (Biennial Assembly), will be held in the First Presbyterian Church, Newark, N. J., Rev. Dr. Frazer, pastor, April 27, 28, preceded by a devotional service on Tuesday evening, the 26th, in the Third Church. According to the By-Laws: "One delegate may be sent from each Presbyterial Society, Auxiliary or Young People's foreign missionary organization contributing through the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society."

Cordial hospitality is extended by the Newark Presbyterial Society to all *missionaries* and *delegates* who may attend the meeting. Boarding places will be secured for others. The names of delegates desiring entertainment and all applications for boarding places must be sent not later than April 4 to *Mrs. William B. Dod, 219 Grafton Avenue, Newark, N. J.*

The committees in Newark are planning generously and wisely for the entertainment of the Assembly; the Committee on Programme is doing its best to arrange an attractive and instructive programme, and now let the great company of women and children throughout our territory be constant in prayer that much wisdom may be given to those who have the preparations in progress, and that rich blessings may be granted not only to those who attend the feast but that the influence may be far-reaching even unto the ends of the world.

If railroad reductions are secured, announcement will be made in next issue.

TREASURER'S books close April 20.

FROM month to month we have been watching the treasury with solicitude yet without real anxiety, for the presbyterial treasurers have promptly sent remittances which, though they fell a little short, indicated no lack of interest, but only a temporary delay on the part of some givers which the next month's receipts would counterbalance. Now, however (Feb. 1), we have still to report a shortage of $1,786 in regular income besides a diminution in legacies, and the refrain, "We are so sorry," from our presbyterial officers grows louder.

In all good faith, because of past gifts and imperative needs, we fixed our aim this year at $165,000 as income from the living membership; it was not a pledge but an *aim*, which we felt justified in setting before you, our faithful, large-hearted co-workers. Can it be that instead of advance—a natural, reasonable advance—we shall have to retreat from ground held last year? The two months which remain are, to be sure, months of ingathering, and each week may bring good cheer, but we must share with you our apprehension and ask your personal, united effort "to bring the things to pass" to which we set our hand so solemnly and gladly at the beginning of the year. In this we may all share—the lifting of the burden, the achieving of success, the commendation of the Master.

J. M. T.

OUR new catalogue may be had by sending 1 ct. postage. Unusual care has been taken in its revision, and it should be kept for constant reference.

HELPS on Africa: *Historical Sketch*, 10 cts.; *Question Book*, 5 cts.; *Illustrated Programme*, 5 cts. per doz.; *Home Life*, 2 cts.; *Hospitals, Schools and Colleges*, each 3 cts.; *Lives Given for Africa*, 1 ct.; and copies of latest letters, free, for postage.

China for Juniors (illustrated), or lessons for children based on *Rex Christus*, 10 cts.

Rex Christus, 30 cts.; pictures illustrating, 25 cts.; *China in Outline*, 5 cts.; *How to Use Rex Christus in Meetings*, 2 cts.

ALL books of Study Class series in stock. *Year Book of Prayer*, 10 cts.

From Chicago.

Meetings at Room 48, Le Moyne Block, 40 E. Randolph Street, every Friday at 10 A.M. Visitors welcome.

THE Thirty-third Annual Meeting of the Woman's Presbyterian Board of Missions of the Northwest will be held in the Westminster Church, corner Island and Lagrave Streets, Grand Rapids, Mich., April 26, 27 and 28. The opening session will be at 8 o'clock, the evening of the 26th, with an address by Rev. Arthur J. Brown, Secretary of the Assembly's Board. Appoint your delegates and send names promptly to Mrs. W. W. McKean, 333 South Union Street, Grand Rapids, Mich. You may not be able to determine at so early a date who can go, but you can let Mrs. McKean know that delegates are going and names can be sent later. The name of the speaker for Wednesday evening will be announced, later, in the religious papers.

THE C. E. topic for January, "Every One a Missionary," brings to mind our Lord's last command, "Go ye into all the world," and the vow given when we unite with the Church, promising "faithful and diligent observance of all the commandments and ordinances of our Lord and Saviour." If we keep this vow as religiously as did the Jews in Old Testament times or as the heathen keep theirs, there will be no lack of funds and no cutting down in the number of missionaries called for next summer, 214 from our own Church. The subject for thought and study is apropos. "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest."

To bring about the hoped for advance in our giving, resolved upon last April, the Field Secretary has sent to each Presbyterial Treasurer a comparison of eight months' gifts, asking her to urge the twenty per cent. increase in all offerings. If every member will add twenty cents to each dollar she gave last year, April 20 will bring our ranks up to the hundred-thousand-dollar standard. The responses received have been full of cheer.

THE new leaflets are a *Praise Service*, 2 cts. each, 15 cts. per doz.; *My Own Story* (an Indian widow) and *Hints and Helps for Band Leaders*, 2 cts. each, 10 cts. per doz. On Africa we have *Historical Sketch*, 10 cts.; *Questions*

and Answers, Darkness and Light in Africa, each 5 cts.; *So Much to Do at Home, Hospitals, Sketch of Miss Nassau, Home Life,* each 2 cts.; *Schools and Colleges,* 3 cts.; *A Cry from Congo,* 1 ct., 10 cts. per dozen. Our "Missionary Annals"—*David Livingstone, Robert Moffat,* and *Madagascar*—are 18 cts. paper, 30 cts. cloth; all interesting.

IN planning the programme for Annual Meeting this year, special thought is given to the Conference, that we may give it abundance of time. If societies will *at once* send in questions to be answered, those questions will be put in the hands of some member of the Board who will prepare herself to answer them fully and promptly.

MANY synodical societies have gone to work energetically to raise the money for outfits and traveling expenses of missionaries, and now is the time in the few remaining days for vigorous effort to complete the amount.

From New York.

Prayer-meeting at 156 Fifth Ave., cor. 20th St., the first Wednesday of each month, at 10.30 A. M. Each other Wednesday there is a half-hour meeting for prayer and reading of missionary letters, commencing at same hour.

THE Thirty-fourth Annual Meeting of the Women's Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church will be held on Wednesday, April 13, at 156 Fifth Avenue. This is the year when the meeting will be principally for business. Delegates will be warmly welcomed at headquarters, and it is hoped there will be a good representation from those societies near enough to New York to make it possible to attend the short session, which will begin at 10.30 A. M. and last through the morning. Miss Mary G. Janeway, 166 W. 55th St., is chairman of the Credential Committee.

FOR STUDY CLASSES AND MEETINGS: *Via Christi, Lux Christi, Rex Christus,* each 50 cts. in cloth, 30 cts. in paper; also *China for Juniors,* 10 cts.; *China in Outline,* 10 cts. Pictures, 25 cts. per set; Indexed Maps, 25 cts.; Progressive Maps, 10 cts. per doz.; *People and Places in Foreign Lands,* 10 cts.

FOR MEETINGS ON AFRICA: *Africa Waiting,* 35 cts.; *The Price of Africa,* cloth 50 cts., paper 30 cts.; *Historical Sketch,* 10 cts.; *Question Book, Programme, Darkness and Light,* each 5 cts.; *Presbyterian Schools and Colleges, Hospital Work, Missions in Africa,* each 3 cts.; Indexed Map, 28 x 21 inches, 25 cts.; Outline Map, 1 ct.; Map, showing Presbyterian Stations, 1 ct.; *So Much to Do at Home,* 1 ct.; *The Year Book of Prayer,* 10 cts.

MISS HAMILTON having resigned the office of Secretary for Special Objects, on account of prolonged absence from home, Miss Alice M. Davison has resumed her old place in that department.

THE attention of all those ordering literature from our Board is called to the requests on the billhead. Out of thirty-two checks and money orders received in January, only three were made payable to *Henrietta W. Hubbard, Treas.* Two checks on *country* banks were sent (one for thirty cents), and on each the charge for collection is ten cents.

As far as possible, please avoid sending postage stamps in payment of bills. A limited number can be used but the banks will not take them. In January we received more than twenty dollars in stamps.

From Northern New York.

THE Thirty-second Annual Meeting of the W. P. F. Missionary Society of Northern New York will be held in the Presbyterian Church, Glens Falls, N. Y., April 20 and 21. The sessions will open on Wednesday afternoon. There will be a popular meeting Wednesday evening. All day Thursday there will be missionary addresses.

All delegates who desire entertainment over night are requested to send their names, with full address, to Miss Sarah A. Parsons, 72 Warren St., Glens Falls, not later than April 11. Further notice, with fuller particulars, will be sent to the secretaries of all the societies by March 30.

SECRETARIES are asked to fill out the blanks, which will be sent out this month, and return the same promptly. Attention to this matter will greatly facilitate the work of making out the reports for Annual Meeting.

THE books of the Treasurer close April 1. Treasurers are urged to forward all money promptly. One month still remains in which to make good all pledges, so that there shall be no falling behind.

In view of the fact that there was on Jan. 1 a decrease in receipts of the Board of Foreign Missions of over $52,000, and that over $800,000 will be needed by May 1, it is hoped that there will be an earnest effort on the part of each Auxiliary, C. E. Society and Band to increase their contributions, so that we shall bear our part in enabling the Board to close the fiscal year free of debt, and so save the need of retrenchment on the field. The Lord has opened a wide door of opportunity on all our missionary fields. Shall we dare, by withholding our gifts, to make the possessing of these lands for our Master impossible? Shall we not rather "bring all the tithes into the storehouse?"

From St. Louis.

Meetings at 10 A. M. the first and third Tuesdays of each month at Room 21, 1516 Locust St., St. Louis, Mo. Missionary literature for sale at the above number. Visitors always cordially welcome.

THE Programme Committee for our Annual Meeting announces the name of Miss Louisa Dart, 718 Tracey St., Kansas City, Mo., as chairman of the Railroad Committee, and Mrs. J. A. Plotner, 115 Clinton Place, Kansas City, as chairman of the Entertainment Committee. The dates, April 21 and 22, were announced before.

ALL delegates to Annual Meeting are requested to report as early as possible to Mrs. Plotner, in order that return cards may be sent notifying each of the name and address of her hostess. Each delegate upon purchasing her railroad ticket must secure a certificate, in order to take advantage of the one and one-third fare allowed.

THERE have been a number of changes in the officers of the Board since last May, for

which reason it would seem advisable to print a list of the officers thus changed:

Special Object Sec.—Mrs. Geo. W. Weyer.
Sec. for Bands—Miss Carrie Miller.
Sec. for Speakers—Mrs. S. B. Fisher.
Recording Sec.—Mrs. C. A. Rosebrough.

GOOD, encouraging news comes from all over the territory. First of all, our collections are a thousand dollars and more ahead of those of the same time last year, exclusive of the Ichowfu Hospital Fund. Then Ozark sends word that the contributions of that Presbytery are better for both home and foreign fields than last year. Ten new societies organized this year in Kansas is a fine record for that Synod, with a goodly increase in the contingent fund; one Presbyterial Secretary for Young People reports "every local society heard from." St. Louis Presbytery is still working to break every past record, with reasonable promise of success. And the fiscal year not yet over!

SUCH a beautiful, cheery letter from Mrs. McClure, written from Hong Kong, on her way back to Siam! I cannot forbear quoting the last sentence of her letter, "Of course we miss the children, but His grace is sufficient and the years will soon pass." God bless you, dear Mrs. McClure, for that message,—we forget the sufficiency of His grace so often! And bless the little ones that you left to His care so trustingly!

WE announce with even greater pleasure than usual the acceptance of Miss Helen McAfee of Park College as a missionary candidate. It seems eminently fitting that a child of Mr. and Mrs. John McAfee should be on the foreign field, and those of us who have met Miss Helen are delighted with our new representative. More detailed information concerning her appointment will appear later on.

ANY announcements intended for the *April number* of WOMAN'S WORK must be in the hands of Mrs. J. N. Miller *not later* than Feb. 25. Will those societies who wish to have the presbyterial meetings announced, with date and place of meeting, in WOMAN'S WORK please note this?

From San Francisco.

Public meeting at 920 Sacramento Street the first Monday in each month at 10.30 A. M. and 1.15 P. M. All are invited. Executive Committee, third Monday.

THE Occidental Board treasurer joyfully reports an advance of $2,000 in receipts over last year at this time. Miss Partridge, our C. E. secretary, reports a gain of 26 per cent. in pledges made by our Young People's Societies.

THE Sharrocks Hospital in Syen Chun, Korea, is a Christian Endeavor enterprise, and for a Christian Endeavor missionary. $900 of the $2,500 have been raised by the First Church, San Francisco. Will the remaining C. E. Societies make good the pledge?

OUR "Lot Annex Fund" has reached the sum of $1,000. We have heard of one little boy (doubtless there are others) who worked and earned the money which enabled him to become a stockholder in this fund. The first payment can now be made, and the property secured. There are many reasons why our mission home lot should be enlarged.

THE Christmas exercises day, in the Chinese church, San Francisco, which combined all the branches of the mission, was a joyous occasion. Dr. and Mrs. Condit felt a great pride, because of the interest felt and the talent displayed by the young people and children of the church.

MISSIONARIES wear out in San Francisco, as well as in China or India. Miss Donaldina Cameron, who has given nearly nine years to the rescue work of the Occidental Board, is to have a furlough of one year, to begin after Annual Meeting in April. She hopes to pass the year in China where in the Sun-ning district she may become more familiar with the language of our Chinese residents. Miss Belle Garrette after a few years of faithful service as teacher of our mission home school, will have a vacation of four months.

THE Annual Meeting of the Occidental Board will doubtless be held on April 6 and 7 at 920 Sacramento Street. We sincerely hope that a forward movement all along the line, in every department of mission work, will make the close of the year really Pentecostal, because all Christians with one accord, from the centre to the ends of the earth, will speak with new tongues, because the Spirit gives them knowledge and utterance.

FROM Riverside, Cal., Mrs. C. A. Crosby writes: "After many years of suffering, Mrs. A. R. Rockhill died here, November 12. Her last months seemed the brightest of any known during a life of earnest work that was so quiet and unpretentious, very few knew of it. She was a faithful reader of WOMAN'S WORK FOR WOMAN and most loyal to it and the interests which it represents.

From Portland, Oregon.

Meetings on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at the First Presbyterian Church. Visitors welcome.

IN place of the regular Board meeting in January, the afternoon was devoted to a prayer-meeting. Many and fervent were the prayers offered and the whole service was characterized by a spirit of pure devotion, and an evident desire for a more thorough consecration. Christian women who have no apparent interest in missions were remembered in earnest prayer, with the hope that the Spirit would touch the heart of every one who has named the name of Christ and make her keenly alive to the great and pressing need of the heathen world. The influences of such a meeting are far reaching, besides being an "Elim" to all who are privileged to attend.

THE Sixteenth Annual Meeting of the Board will be held in the First Presbyterian Church, Portland, Oregon, Wednesday and Thursday, April 20 and 21. All vice-presidents are urged to attend. Each presbyterial society is entitled to one delegate from among its officers, each auxiliary, two delegates; C. E. and Jr. C. E. and Mission Bands, one delegate each.

All names should be sent by April 1 to Mrs. F. F. Haradon, 620 Main Street, Portland, Ore. We hope this meeting will be a grand rally of workers, full of zeal and enthusiasm. Each auxiliary has a share in making it a success.

NEW BANDS.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.
Takoma Park, Band.
Washington, Western Ch., Vine Branches.

NEW JERSEY.
Plainfield, 1st Ch., Little Light Bearers.

NEW YORK.
Brooklyn, Grace Ch., Grace Senior Band.
Fredonia, Y. L. Soc.

PENNSYLVANIA.
Scranton, 2d Ch., Emma Vail Band.

Receipts of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church from Jan. 1, 1904.

[PRESBYTERIES IN SMALL CAPITALS.] *Thank Offering.

ATHENS.—Athens, 15.35; Beverly, 7; Gallipolis, 7; Marietta, 25.90; Warren, C.E., 8, $63.25

BALTIMORE.—Baltimore, 2d, 11.25, Willing Hearts Aux., 10.12; Aisquith St., 10; Boundary Ave., 32.37; Brown Mem'l, Mrs. E. P. Jones' Aux., 45; Central, 21, Seek and Save Bd., 39; Covenant, C.E., 2.50; Faith, 3.18; Lafayette Sq., 4, Chinese Sch., 5; Waverly, 4; Chestnut Grove, 2.50, C.E., 2.50; Deer Creek, Harmony, 22.25; Emmittsburg, 4.58; Frederick, 3; Govanstown, 1; Hagerstown, 15; Taneytown, 58, 296.25

BELLEFONTAINE.—Belle Centre, 4; Bellefontaine, 50; Bucyrus, 10, Band 3; Crestline, 6 38; De Graff, 2.50; Galion, 11.50; Kenton, 98; Upper Sandusky, 5; West Liberty, 3, 193.38

BUTLER.—Allegheny, 1; Butler, 1st, Y.W., 5, C.E., 3; Centreville, 8; Clintonville, 16; Concord, C.E., 35; Crestview, 5, C.E., 1.50; Grove City, 68.74; Middlesex, 11.60; Muddy Creek, 50; New Hope, 8; New Salem, 8; North Butler, 12.50; North Liberty, 10; North Washington, 18; Petrolia, 2.50; Plain Grove, 15; Plains, 8.55; Westminster, C.E., 10; West Sunbury, 17, 314.39

CARLISLE.—Carlisle, 2d, 15; Chambersburg, Central, Sunshine Bd., 22; Falling Spring, 18, Y.L.B., 76; Dauphin, C. E., 5.20; Dickinson, 5; Dillsburg (Monaghan), 4.80, C.E., 3; Duncannon, C.E., 5; Harrisburg, Bethany, C.E., 3; Market Sq., 208.05, Sr. Dept., S.S., 23.13, Mrs. George's Cl., 25, Miss Weirs' Cl., 30; Olivet, C.E., 2; Pine St., 140; Lebanon, Christ Ch., 32.85; Newport, 7.65; Paxton, 39.55, Cheerful Givers, 34.00; Shippensburg, 20, Y.L.B., 18; Silver Spring, 6.35, 744.18

CATAWBA.—Concord, Laura Sunderland Sch., Y.W.S., 1.67

CLEVELAND.—Ashtabula, 1st, 19.50; Cleveland, 1st, 170.15; 2d, 431.62; Beckwith Mem'l, 21.40; Bolton Ave., 29.21; Calvary, 247.25; Case Ave., 53.10, C.E., 10; North, 25; South, 5; Willson Ave., 9; Woodland Ave., C.E., 12.50; Glenville, 5; Northfield, 5; North Springfield, 9, 1,052.73

COLUMBUS.—Columbus, 1st, 7.50; Broad St., 50; Central, 15.75; 5th Ave., C.E., 10; Olivet, 10.10; St. Clair Ave., C.E., 2.15; W. Broad St., 15.50; Lancaster, 19.40; London, 10; Westerville, 6; Worthington, 1.50, Jr. Helpers, 3, 150.90

DAYTON.—Camden, 3; Dayton, 1st, 91; 3d St., 5, Carrie Montgomery Aux., 50; Park, 5; Greenville, 22; Middletown, Oakland, 1.50; New Carlisle, 19; Oxford, 8.50; Seven Mile, Olive's, 5; Springfield, 1st, 17.63; 2d, 35; Troy, 25, Second Aux., 24.75; Washington, 8; Xenia, 8.95, 329.33

ELIZABETH.—Cranford, 10.60, C.E., 200; Dunellen, 25, C. E. Jr., 1; Elizabeth, Assn., 115; 1st, Y.P. Soc. (C.E.), 4.42; 2d, 135, Girls' Soc., 182; 3d, Y.L.C., 20, C.E., 10; Bethany Chapel, C.E., 2; Lamington, 11, Blanvelt Bd., 10, C.E., 5; Liberty Corner, 6; Metuchen, 17, C.E., 15; Perth Amboy, 50; Plainfield, 1st, 50, C.E., 10, King's Messengers, 10; Crescent Ave. (In Mem. E. R. C., 100), 200, A Lady, 100; Rahway, 1st, 12.50, Locust Grove Bd., 1; 2d, 30, C.E. Jr., 12; Roselle, 30.66; Westfield, 15, 1,290.18

FRENCH BROAD.—Allanstand, 40 cts., Y.P. Soc., 80 cts.; Jupiter, 2.40; Oakland Heights, A Lady, 2.50, Sr. Soc., 2, Y. W.C.A., 5, Girls' Fancy Work Club, 4.25, Asheville Farm School, 4 32, 21.67

KINGSTON.—Chattanooga, 2d, 53.25, Y.L.S., 3.90; Harriman, 10; Huntsville, 65 cts.; New Decatur, Westminster, 3.10, 70.90

LACKAWANNA.—Athens, 12.50, C.E., 10; Carbondale, 1st, 70; Forty Fort, C.E., 5; Honesdale, 62.19, In His Name Bd., 15; Kingston, 16.25, Miss Jackson's Bd., 5; Langcliffe, 40; Montrose, 60; Pittston, 1st, 10.43; Plymouth, 1st, 26.70; Scranton, 2d, A Lady, 250; Green Ridge Ave., 12; Washburn St., Y.L.S., 25; Shickshinny, C.E., 2; Towanda, 54; Troy, 20, Birthday Bd., 6.25; Tunkhannock, A Lady, 25; Ulster, 6.25; Unlondale, 5; West Pittston, 110.20, Y.P. Bd., 21; Wilkes-Barre, 1st, 75; Memorial, 50, Whosoever Will Bd., 20, 1,014.77

LEHIGH.—Allentown, 60; Allen Township, 10; Bangor, 6.20; Catasauqua, 1st, 12, C.E., 4; Easton, 1st, 35, Haines Bd., 15; College Hill, 10; Hazleton, 78.96; Mauch Chunk, 15.94, C.E., 4.06; Pottsville, 1st, 15; Stroudsburg, C.E. Jr., 14.20; White Haven, 10, 290 36

LIMA.—Findlay, 1st, 65; Lima, Market St., 12.50; St. Mary's, 22.23; Sidney, 50, C.E. Jr., 5; Van Buren, 2; Van Wert, 8, 164.73

MAHONING.—Alliance, 36, C.E., 20; Canfield, 10; Kinsman, 10; Leetonia, 5, C.E. Jr., 5; Poland, 12.50; Salem, C. E., 25; Youngstown, 1st, 56.25; Westminster, 21.56, C.E., 50, 251.31

MARION.—Chesterville, Y.P. Soc., 10; Delaware, 78.07, Y P. Soc., 100; Iberia, 8; Marysville, 37.19; Milford Centre, 14; Mt. Gilead, 12.75, Calvin Club, 12.50; Trenton, 22.63, 295.14

MAUMEE.—Toledo, Westminster, C.E., 1.50

MORRIS AND ORANGE.—Boonton, 35; Dover, 40; East Orange, 1st, 137.50; Arlington Ave., 40; Bethel, 12.50, C.E., 15; Brick, 100; Madison, 21; Mendham, C.E., 10; Morristown, South St., A Friend, 5; New Vernon, Cl. No. 9, 10; Orange, 1st, 250; Central, 215.65, A Friend, 1,000, Y.P. Assn., 50, Y.W. Bible Cl., 25, 2,031.65

NEW BRUNSWICK.—Alexandria, 1st, Mt. Pleasant, C.E., 5; Amwell, 1st, C.E., 5; United 1st, C.E., 2.50; Bound Brook, 13.50, C.E., 12.38, C.E. Jr., 60 cts.; Flemington, 18.66; Frenchtown, C.E., 5; Hopewell, 45, C.E., 3; Lawrenceville, C.E., 10; Milford, C.E., 15; New Brunswick, 1st, C.E., 3.75; Pennington, 40; Princeton, 1st, 114.19; Trenton, 1st, 125, C.E., 25; 4th, 100, Y.L.S., 25, C.E., 20; Bethany, 6; Prospect St., 60; Walnut Ave., 4, 658.58

NEW CASTLE.—Buckingham, 4.80; Dover, 7; Federalsburg, 2; Forest (Middletown), 16.82; Frankford, C.E., 3; Glasgow (Pencader), 3; Greenhill, Earnest Workers, 9.90; Makemie, 10.50, Swan Bd., 6.50, L.L.B., 4, C.E., 4.62; Manokin, 12; Rock, 2; West Nottingham, 7.50; Wicomico (Salisbury), 2.60; Wilmington, 1st, 5.50; Central, 45, C.E., 20; Hanover, 65, C.E., 10; Rodney, 47.67, A Lady, 45; West, 11, C.E., 15; Zion, 5.13, Happy Harvesters, 5, I'll Try Bd., 3.65, 374.19

NEWTON.—Franklin Furnace, C.E., 4.00

NORTHUMBERLAND.—Buffalo, Cross Roads, C.E., 8.00

PARKERSBURG.—Buckhannon, 15.97, C.E., 5, C.E. Jr., 1; Fairmount, 5; French Creek, 2.50; Grafton, 3.95; Manningtun, 5; Morgantown, L. Lowrie Aux., 10.80, Anna Hunter Bd., 2.90; Parkersburg, 1st, 17.50; Ravenswood, 9.15; Sistersville, 9.83; Spencer, 4.57; Waverly, 8, 101.17

PHILADELPHIA.—First, 90, C.E. Jr., 10; 4th, 25; 10th, West Spruce St., 550, C.E., 35; Bethany, 50; Bethesda, 2.50; Bethlehem, C.E. Jr., 15, Class 66, 14; Calvary, Obedience Bd., 1.50, Little Helpers, 6, Mothers' Bd., 9; Emmanuel, C. E., 25, C.E. Int., 10; Gaston, 22; Harper Mem'l, 55; Hebron, C.E., 11; Holland Mem'l, C.E., 35, John Chambers, Thompson Aux., 5; North Broad, Wadsworth Bd., 55, Farafield Aux., 125; No. Lib., 1st, C.E., 12; Olivet, 50, True Lights, 2, Jesus' Lambs, 20, C.E., 10; Patterson Mem'l, 11.45; Princeton, 150; Tabernacle, 17; Temple, 25; Tioga, 25; Trinity, C. E., 3; Union Tabernacle, C.E., 30, Primary Dept., 8; West Hope, 25; West Park, 9.10; Woodland, 228.21, Fullerton Bd., 28.01, Woodland Bd., 1.72, C.E., 15, 1,821.49

PHILADELPHIA NORTH.—Ambler, 1.43; Bristol, 13; Carmel (Edge Hill), 3, C.E., 4.50; Chestnut Hill, 1st, C.E., 5; Trinity, 25; Conshohocken, C.E., 2; Cynwyd (Covenant), 10; Doylestown, 37.50, C.E., 12.50, Mechanicsville Bd., 3.14; Eddington, 6; Falls of Schuylkill, Y.L.S., 10; Fox Chase, Mem'l, C.E., 12.50; Frankford, Y.L.S., 25, Y.P. Union, 18; Germantown, 1st, 122 22, Miriam Bd., 42, Eliot (Boys), 11.40, C.E., 29.37, C.E. Jr., 4.41; 2d, 100, C.E., 19.75; Market Square, 15.78, C.E., 12.53; Redeemer, 13; Summit, 25; Wakefield, C.E., 30; West Side, 9.09, C.E. Jr., 5; Hermon, 6.30, M. and D., 10, Y.L. Bd., 6.25, C.E. Jr., 1.25; Holmesburg, 1.95; Huntingdon Valley, 16.30; Jenkintown, Grace, C.E. Jr., 10; Langhorne, 5; Lawndale, 6; Leverington, Ladies' Aid, 5; Lower Merion, 10; Lower Providence, C.E., 4.68; Manayunk, 1st, C.E., 10; Morrisville, 30; Mt. Airy, 30, C.E., 6.50; Neshaminy of Warminster, Ivyland, C.E., 3; New Hope, 3.02, C.E., 2.50; Norristown, 1st, 105, C.E., 22.50; Central, C.E., 5; Overbrook, 50; Pottstown, Hill Sch. Bd., 120; Reading, 1st, C.E., 25; Wissahickon, 7.50; Wissinoming, C.E., 8; Wyncote, Calvary, 33.35; Ivyland, I.B.B., 14; Offerings from Shanghai, 10.93, 1,197.15

PORTSMOUTH.—Eckmansville, 4; Ironton, 9 07; Jackson. 8; Manchester, 4; Portsmouth, 1st, 7.55; Red Oak, 1; Ripley, 3; West Union, 2.25; Winchester, 1, 39.87

SOUTH FLORIDA.—Crystal River, 10.90

WASHINGTON.—Burgettstown, 1st, 13, C.E., 5; Claysville, C.E., 3.85; Cove, 15.30, S.S. Cl., 8.05; Cross Creek, 50; Cross Roads, 20, Earnest Workers, 3; Fairview, 3.20; Frankfort Springs, 5; Mt. Prospect, C.E., 14; Washington, 1st, 75, Cornes Bd., 25, Sewing Soc. Aux., 96.15, C.E., 20, C.E. Jr., 4.39; 2d, 89.72, Boys, Gleaners' Bd., 7; Washington, Fem. Sem., 9; Wellsburg, 26; West Alexander, 50; Wheeling, 1st, 200; Vance Mem'l, 25; Cunningham Lester Mem'l, 90, 857.66

WASHINGTON CITY.—Anacostia, Garden Mem'l, 2.64; Berwyn, Md., 1.09; Clifton, Va., 1.27; Darnestown, Md., 7.72; Eckington, 10, C.E., 5.77, C.E. Jr., 2.50; Hyattsville, Md., 15, C.E., 20; Kensington, Warner Mem'l, 6; Lewinsville, Va., 5, C.E., 2; Manassas, 5.90, C.E., 1; Riverdale, 1, Vine Bd., 1, C.E ; 2 50; Takoma Park, 3, C.E., 1 50; Washington, 1st, C.E., 6 25; 4th, 21, Jr. Miss'y Soc., 15.94; 6th, 10, Cheerful Givers, 5; 15th St., 5; Assembly, 10, C.E., 4.58; Covenant, 134.23, Y L. Bible Cl., 25, C.E., 19.24; Eastern, 4.25,

Y.P. Circle, 3.75, C.E., 7.50; Gunton Temple, 25, C.E., 3.25, Little Helpers, 3; Gurley Mem'l, C.E., 5; Heights, L.L.B., 1; Metropolitan, 52.50, Mateer Bd., 10, Inasmuch Aux., 15, C. E., 21; New York Ave., 125, Y.W. Guild, 40. L.L.B., 2, C. E., 5.94, Bethany Chapel Aux., 1.25, C.E., 2; North, 7.50; Western, 30, C.E., 25; West St., 25, Little Messengers, 5, C. E., 8; Westminster, C.E., 4.26, 783.33

Wellsboro.—Beecher's Is. (Nelson), 2.50; Mansfield, 5, 7.50

West Jersey.—Atlantic City, Chelsea, 5; Bridgeton, 1st, 26.40; 2d, C.E., 50.68; Bunker Hill, C.E., 2; Camden, 1st, 41.59; Calvary, C.E., 2; Grace, C.E., 5; Cedarville, 11; Clayton, 18; Coldspring, C.E., 15; Greenwich, C.E., 15; Haddonfield, 45; Merchantville, 16 53; Millville, 15 50; Salem, C.E., 5, C.E. Jr., 2; Williamstown, C.E., 5, 280.70

Westminster.—Chestnut Level, 50; Lancaster, 1st, 25, Bethany Mission, 10; Memorial, 6.22; Leacock, 10; Little Britain, 12.50; Middle Octorara, 11; Slateville, 15; Stewartstown, C.E., 15, 154.72

Wooster.—Apple Creek, 7.70; Ashland, 2; Creston, 5; Doylestown, 7.25; Hayesville, 24.60; Hopewell, Holcomb Bd., 5; Mansfield, 30.07, C.E., 15; Millersburg, 3.25; Mt. Eaton, 5; Orrville, 4.30; Savannah, 19.33; Wayne, 2.63; West Salem, 2; Wooster, 1st, 12.50, Y.L.S., 50, 195.63

Zanesville.—Coshocton. 10.50; Frazeysburg, 5.25; Fredericktown, 8; Granville, 33; Hanover, 1; High Hill, 8; Homer, 10; Jersey, C.E., 5; Mt. Vernon, 12.50, Busy Bees, 1.50: Newark, 1st, 5; Utica, 10; Zanesville, 1st, 21, Azalea Bd., 5; 2d, Y.L.B., 25; Brighton, 16; Putnam Ave., 11.50, A Friend of Missions, 50, 238.25

Miscellaneous.—Int., 146.85; Settlement of Purviance Estate, 10; A Friend, Cleveland, O., 50; A Little Girl, 7 cts.; "G.," Phila., 10; Bequest of Mrs. C. C. Evans, Lancaster, Pa., 525, 741.92

Total for January, 1904,	$16,053.35
Total since May 1, 1903,	69,097.13

(Miss) Elizabeth H. Eldridge, *Treas.*,
501 Witherspoon Building, Philadelphia.

Jan. 30, 1904.

Receipts of the Woman's Presbyterian Board of Missions of the Northwest to Jan. 20, 1904.

* Indicates gifts for objects outside of appropriations.

Bloomington.—Bement, 12.60, C.E., 10; Bloomington, 1st, 4.50; 24, 99, Y.P.U., 20; Champaign, C.E., 25; Clinton, 25, C.E., 200; Danville, 70; El Paso, 2; Fairbury, 10, C.E., 27; Heyworth, 12.75; Homer, 8.75; Lexington, 9.17; Mansfield, 5; Normal, 8.44; Onarga, 15; Paxton, 11.10; Piper City, 5.10; Pontiac, 25; Prairie View, Jr. C.E., 2.45; Tolono, 29; Waynesville, 5; Watseka, C.E., 5, $666.86

Boise.—Caldwell, 1.95

Boulder.—Berthond, 5; Boulder, C.E., 2.05; Ft. Collins, 11.88, Jr. C.E., 10; Ft. Morgan, C.E., 5; Greeley, 10, C.E., 10; La Salle, 4.25, C.E., 3.50; Timnath, 3.75, 65.43

Butte.—Anaconda, 8; Butte, 8.55; Missoula, 3.60, C.E., 5, 25.15

Cairo.—Anna, C.E., 12.50; Carbondale, 29.15; Centralia, 5.50; Cobden, 3; Du Quoin, 20; Fairfield, 4; Flora, 12.40; Metropolis, 3; Mt. Vernon, 2.79; Sumner, 4.20, 96.54

Cedar Rapids.—Atkins, 2.50; Cedar Rapids, 1st, 60; 2d, 47; Sinclair Mem'l Ch., 5; Central Pk. Ch., 3.40; Center Junction, 7.50; Clarence, 25; Clinton, 97; Garrison, 10.60; Lyons, 4.75; Linn Grove, 25; Marion, 28; Mechanicsville, 5.50; Monticello, 5; Onslow, 5; Scotch Grove, 2.50; Springville, 5; Vinton, 100; Wyoming, 6, 444.75

Chippewa.—Baldwin, 5; Chippewa Falls, 1; Ean Clair, 7.99; Hudson, 5.01; Hurley, C.E., 5.50; Stanley, 2.50; Superior, 6; West Superior, 30.50; Lake Nebagemain, 4.50, 68.00

Chicago.—Buckingham, 5.25; Anon., 9.18; Austin, 14.20; Belden Ave. Ch., 4.72; Ch. of the Covenant, 5; 1st, 525, Helpful Workers, 2.50; 3d, 150; 4th, 88; 6th, 23; Edgewater, C.E., 10; 9th, 5; 10th, 15; Englewood, 1st, 9, C.E., 20; 41st St. Ch., 15; Hyde Park, 41, Busy Bees, 50; Jefferson Pk., C.E., 10; Scotch-Westm'r, C.E., 5; West Division St. Ch., 6; Woodlawn, C.E., 58.62; Evanston, 1st, 137.50, C.E., 25, Noyes Circle, 31.25; Highland Pk., C.E., 25; Homewood, 3.10; Joliet, Central Ch., 42.35; Kankakee, 6.40; Lake Forest, 358; Steady Streams, 14; Morgan Pk., 34.60, C.E., 8; Peotone, 50; Mrs. A. J. White, 10, 1,816.67

Corning.—Red Oak, C.E., 15; Shenandoah, A Friend, 100, 115.00

Council Bluffs.—Carson, 2; Shelby, 2.45, 4.45

Crawfordsville.—Attica, 15; Benlah, 8.60, Mrs. Mary Nave, 12.50; Clinton. 4.25; Crawfordsville, Center Ch., 20; N. Lexington. 15; Delphi, 24.50, Mrs. C. J. Bowen, 35; Frankfort, 36.46; Ladoga, 2; Lafayette, 1st, 14.50, C.E., 15; 2d, 25; Lebanon, 11; Newtown, 6; Rockville, 15.80, *5; Rossville, 26.41; Bethel Ch., 15. C.E., 4.20; Spring Grove, 8; Thorntown, 21; Waveland, 6; Williamsport, 6.50; Carroll Co. Miss'y Assn., 3.15, 355.87

Detroit.—Detroit, Westm'r Ch., W.W. A., 10; Presbyterial Soc., 10, 20.00

Dubuque.—Coggon, 3, C.E., 1.40; Dubuque, 2d, 20.33; Hopkinton, 15.26, C.E., 4, Jr. C.E., 2.15; Independence, 17.90; Jesup, 3.88, C.E., 3.84; Mt. Hope Ch., 2.91; Lime Spring, 1.94; Manchester, 2.72; Maynard, C.E., 50 cts.; W. Union, Bethel Ch., 7.76; Pine Creek Ch., 7.62, 95.21

Flint.—Bad Axe, 5; Fenton, 2.25; Flint, 20, Westm'r League, 1.50; Harbor Beach, C.E., 3.34, Jr. C.E., 2.43; Lapeer, 23.68, C.E., 2.50; Marlette, 2.67, C.E., 2; 2d, 4.35; Port Huron, 1; Vassar, 1, 71.72

Ft. Dodge.—Boone, 20; Jefferson, 14; Lake City, C.E., 2.38; Paton, C.E., 4.08; Pomeroy, 9; West Bend, 3.43, 52.89

Ft. Wayne.—Bluffton, 6.50; Elkhart, 15; Ft. Wayne, 1st, 82.52; Westm'r Ch., 3.75; 3d, 3.75, C.E., 7; Huntington, 46.30; Kendallville, 7; La Grange, 20; Lima, 54.75; Ossian, 7.40; Warsaw, 25, 278.97

Freeport.—Argyle, 20, Y.P.S., 7.43; Belvidere, C.E., 24.50; Elizabeth, 5; Freeport, 1st, 25; Hebron, 19, C.E., 12; Oregon, 7; Polo, 16.67; Rockford, Westm'r Ch., 27.60, C.E., 15.55, 179.75

Great Falls.—Great Falls, 8.50

Gunnison.—Glenwood Springs, 7; Grand Junction, 3, C.E., 7.50; Leadville, 5, C.E., 5; Ridgway, 5; Salida, C.E., 2, 34.50

Hastings.—Bethel, C.E., 10; Beaver City, 2.50; Edgar, 1.60; Hansen, 5; Hastings, 12.62, C.E., 12.50; Stamford, C. E., 1.50; Superior, 1.92, 47.64

Helena.—Bonlder, 7.20; Bozeman, 15.35; Helena, C.E., 25; White Sulphur, 4.35, 51.90

Indianapolis.—Bloomington, 6.10; Greencastle, 5; Hopewell Ch., 25.85; Indianapolis, 2d, 120; Mem'l Ch., Jr. Partners, 15, 171.95

Iowa.—Burlington, 50.13; Fairfield, 30, Gleaners, 2.25, C. E., 12; Ft. Madison, 5; Keokuk, Westm'r Ch., 18; Libertyville, 6 60; Martinsburg, 4.10; Kossuth, Willing Workers, 8; Morning Sun, 5; Mt. Pleasant, 15.45, C.E., 2.50; New London, 5, C.E., 5; Ottumwa, 67; Winfield, C.E., 11, 247.03

Iowa City.—Bethel Ch., 5; Atalissa, 2.50; Brooklyn, 6; Columbus Junction, 6; Davenport, 1st, 80; Scott Ch., 6; Unity Ch., 3.75, C.E., 3; Keota, 5; Marengo, 9.50; Tipton, 1st, 7.23; Washington, 15.11; West Branch, 10, West Liberty, 30.92, C.E., 10; Wilton Junction, 33, 233.01

Kalamazoo.—Allegan, 3.50; Cassopolis, 3.05; Decatur, 3.50, C.E., 3.50; Edwardsburg, 5, C.E., 75 cts.; Kalamazoo, 1st, 23.40; North Ch., 5; Niles, 2.62: Paw Paw, 1.50; Richland, 13.59, C.E., 2.50; Schoolcraft, 2.20; Sturgis, 1.90, C.E., 1.01; Three Rivers, 6.67, 79.69

Kearney.—Ashton, C.E., 3.60; Central City, 19.40, C.E., 6.25; Cozad, 3; Fullerton, 15, C.E., 4, Jr. C.E., 3; Gibbon, 3, C.E., 4, Jr. C.E., 1; Grand Island, 8; Kearney, 16, C.E., 4; Lexington, 3.20; Litchfield, 2.90, C.E., 3.47; North Loup, 1.35; N. Platte, 7.50, C.E., 5; Ord, 4.60; Wilson Mem'l Ch., 2; St. Edwards, 3.20; St. Paul, 2.84; Shelton, 2.40; Wood River, 12.15, 140.86

Kendall.—Idaho Falls, 5, The Gleaners, 25, C.E., 6; Malad City, 2; Rigby, 2.34, 40.34

Lake Superior.—Escanaba, 7; Gladstone, 10; Manistique, C.E., 5; Marquette, 12, C.E., 20; Menominee, 10; Sault Ste. Marie, 10, 74.00

Lansing.—Albion, 13.75; Battle Creek, 26.65; Brooklyn, 30; Concord, 4; Homer, 7.34; Jackson, 20; Lansing, 1st, 26; Franklin Ave. Ch., 15, Bd., 7.14; Marshall, 13.45; Mason, 8, 171.33

Logansport.—Bonrbon, 1.60; Brookston, 2; Buffalo, 1.50; Concord, 70 cts.; Crown Point, 10; Hammond, 6.92; La Porte, 30; Logansport, 1st, 25.93; Broadway Ch., 9.50, Mrs. Isaac N. Crawford, 7.50; Union, 10.30; Pisgah, 6.19; Michigan City, 4.86, C.E., 5; Monticello, 2.33; Plymouth, 2.75; Rensselaer, 3.50, Jr. C.E., 2.50; Remington, 2.75; Rochester, 1; South Bend, 10; Union Mills, Bethel Ch., 4; Valparaiso, 7.35; Meadow Lake, 3, 185.18

Madison.—Baraboo, 5; Beloit, 11.47; Kilbourn, 3.25, Mrs. J., 28, C.E., 11; Lima Center, 4; Madison, 16; Platteville, German Ch., 6; Poynette, 17; Prairie du Sac, 4.50; Reedsburg, 6; Richland Center, 2, 114.22

Mankato.—Alpha, 5; Blue Earth, 4; Pilot Grove, 22; Delhi, 20; Le Sueur, 10.50, C.E., 6.80: Luverne, 5.15; Mankato, 7.70; Marshall, 10; Pipestone, 5; Slayton, 4.67; St. Peter, 6.55; Tracy, 10.50; Winnebago City, 7.95; Worthington, 24.12, Bethlehem Star, 2.04. C.E., 3.25, 155.23

Mattoon.—Assumption, 2.79, C.E., 10.02; Charlestown, 22.23; Kansas, 20; Neoga, 9; Palestine, 26; Paris, 70; Shelbyville, 20; Taylorville, 7; Vandalia, 11.25, 198.29

Minneapolis.—Howard Lake, C.E., 7; Minneapolis, Bethany Ch., 10; Bethlehem Ch., 25, C.E., 25; 1st, 30, Y.W. S., 14; Grace Ch., 8.70; Highland Pk. Ch., 35.54, Sunshine Bd., 2.18, Jr. C.E., 1.50; Oliver Ch., 9.88; Shiloh Ch., 5; Stewart Mem'l Ch., 17.35; Westm'r Ch., 142.70, Y.W.S., 18.60, C.E., 25; Oak Grove, 5, C.E., 1.50, 383.95

Monroe.—Adrian, 20; Dover, 1.55; Coldwater, 17.29; Erie, C.E., 3; Jonesville, 5; Monroe, 20.50; Palmyra, C.E., 10; Reading, 2.50; Tecumseh, 5.50, Circle, 10, C.E., 5.35, 100.69

Mouse River.—Willow River, Ladies' Aid Soc., 2.50

Muncie.—Alexandria, 7, *5 50; Anderson, 40, *10, Mrs. Geo. Lilly, *30, C E., 6, Willing Workers, 8.99; Center Grove, *5.80; Elwood, 7, *3.86, C.E., 3; Hartford City,

*3.60; Gas City, 4.50; Kokomo, *5; Marion, 42.50, Mrs. Jas. V. Sweetser, 5; Montpelier, 7.10; Muncie, 50, *7.58, C.E., 5; Noblesville, 3.50; Peru, 12.84, *2.85; Portland, *1.56; Tipton, 5; Union City, *3.30; Wabash, 25, *5, C.E., 15; Winchester, 8, *1.15, 340.63

NEBRASKA CITY.—Adams, 11, C.E., 3; Alexandria, 4.33; Beatrice, 32.24, C.E., 7.50; Blue Springs, C.E., 2; Fairbury, 6.05; Gresham, 1.84; Lincoln, 1st, 37.92; 2d, 9.06, C.E., 2.50; Pawnee, 17.60; Plattsmouth, C.E., 2; Seward, 2.27; Tamora, 1.20; Tecumseh, 10.70, C.E., 15; Thayer, C.E., 1.65; Utica, C.E., 14.25; York, 14.34, 196.45

NEW ALBANY.—Bedford, 4, C.E., 3.75; Corydou, 3.70; Hanover, 5.30; Jeffersonville, 10; Madison, 1st, 9, C.E., 2.50; 2d, 10; New Albany, 1st, 10.70; 3d, 5.45; Paoli, C.E., 50 cts.; Salem, 5.40; Seymour, C.E., 3; Vevay, 1.63, 74.93

NIOBRARA.—Oakdale, Mrs. T. W. Stratton, 9.00

PEMBINA.—Bathgate, 5; Langdon, 50, 55.00

PEORIA.—Dunlap, 6; Toulon, C.E., 10; Elmwood, 13, 29.00

PETOSKEY.—Boyne Falls, 11.25; Cadillac, 3.75; E. Jordan, 7; Galt, C.E., 2; Harbor Springs, 2.35; Lake City, 18; Mackinaw City, 4; Petoskey, 19.50; Traverse City, 7.50; Bay Shore, C.E., 1, 76.35

RED RIVER.—Malne, 1.50; Western, 1.50, 3.00

SAGINAW.—Grayling, C.E., 5 00

ST. PAUL.—St. Paul, Dayton Ave. Ch., 41.86, C.E., 48.50; 1st, 18.56; House of Hope Ch., 47.50; Knox Ch., 3.85; Macalester, 13.18, Mrs. Hunt's Cl., 6; Merriam Pk., 17.63, 197.08

SCHUYLER.—Augusta, 15.57; Burton Mem'l Ch., C.E., 4.55; Bushnell, 20.70; Carthage, C.E., 50; Clayton, 5, C.E., 10; Elvastou, 20.45; Fargo, C.E., 5; Good Hope, 7.15, Mrs. Painter, 20; Bethel Ch., 4.20, C.E., 5.35; Macomb, Jr. C.E., 6.50; Monmouth, 33, Jr. C.E., 25; Mt. Sterling, 8, C.E., 75; Niota, Appanoose Ch., 31, C.E., 18.25; Oquawka, C.E., 10; Quincy, C.E., 12.50; Rushville, 15, C.E., 11.60, 413.82

SPRINGFIELD.—Athens, N. Sangamon Ch., 15; Bates, 7; Buffalo Hart, 14; Decatur, 95; Westm'r Chapel, 10; Divernon, 5; Greenview, 3.85; Jacksonville, Portuguese Ch., 8; Lincoln, 21; Maroa, 5, C.E., 2.50; Mason City, 10; Petersburg, 16.15, C.E., 10; Springfield, 1st, 90, E. J. Brown Soc., 106; 3d, 12; Portuguese Ch., *115; Sweetwater and Irish Grove, 18; Williamsville, 15, 578.50

SIOUX CITY.—Alta, 4.58, C.E , 3.25; Battle Creek, C.E., 35; Cherokee, 30, C.E., 5; Cleghorn, 5, C.E., 2.50; Denison, 3; Early, 3.50; Ida Grove, 4.50, C.E., 10; Inwood, 4.85; Ireton, 9.50; Le Mars, 11.25; Union Tp. Ch., 7, C.E., 4 50; Marcus, Mt. Pleasant Ch., 6; Odebolt, 2; Paullina, 5, C.E., 5; Sac City, 3; Sauborn, 2; Schaller, 4; Sioux City, 1st, 9.16; 2d, 5, C.E., 2.75, Jr. C.E., 5; 4th, C.E., 8; Storm Lake, 12; Pilgrim Ch., 6.30, 218.64

UTAH.—Logan, 1.68; Richfield, 11; Salt Lake, 1st, 72 53; Springville, 1, 86.21

VINCENNES.—Evansville, 1st Ave. Ch., 2.65; Grace Ch., 28.50; Walnut St. Ch., 48; Farmersburg, 3; Petersburg, 3; Princeton, 35.20; Rockport, 5; Terre Haute, Central Ch., 25; Washington Ave. Ch., 6.60; Vincennes, 11.80, C.E., 1.50, Jr. C.E., 1.50; Indiana Ch., Solid Workers, 5.53, Heart and Hand Soc., 1.45; Royal Oak Ch., 2.43; Upper Indiana Ch., 5.75; Washington, 23.15, C.E., 5, 215.06

WATERLOO.—Ackley, 10; Clarksville, 1.40; Conrad, 6; Greene, 3.75; Grundy Center, C.E., 5; La Porte City, 7; Marshalltown, 5; Salem, 6.50; State Center, 13.25; Unity Ch., 3, 60.90

Total for month,	$9,359.79
Total receipts since April 20, 1903,	42,800.47

MRS. C. B. FARWELL, *Treas.*,
Room 48, Le Moyne Block, 40 East Randolph St.
CHICAGO, Jan. 20, 1904.

Receipts of the Women's Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church for Jan., 1904.

BINGHAMTON.—Binghamton, Broad Ave., C.E., $6.60

BROOKLYN.—Brooklyn, Central, 15; 1st, 10.29; Grace, 15; Greene Ave., 7.84; Lafayette Ave., 94.30. Mrs. 1. E. H., 500, Cuyler Bd., 60; Mem'l, 26.37; Prospect Heights, 26.51; Ross St., 9.92, C.E., 50; 2d, 6.83; Throop Ave., Jr. C.E., 10, Mission C.E., 6; Westm'r, 4.24; Stapleton, S. I., 11.67; Woodhaven, L. I., 8, 861.97

BUFFALO.—Buffalo, Bethany, 40; Central, 50; Lafayette Ave., 18.75; North, 42; Park, Sunshine Weavers, 2.50; Silver Creek, 7.83; A Friend, 135, 296.08

CAYUGA.—A Friend, 300.00

CHEMUNG.—Elmira, 1st, 17.93; Lake St., 13.25, C.E., 10; North, 6, "Trees of Promise," 3.24, C.E., 5; Montour Falls, 11; Moreland, 9.25; Watkins, 20, C.E., 10; Weston, 1.75, 107.42

GENEVA.—Geneva, 1st, 16, *special*; North, 100, *special*, Y. L., 25, *special*, 141.00

HUDSON.—Goshen, Y.L.S , 18; Middletown, 1st, C.E., 25; Milford, Pa., 18; Otisville, 2.20; Ramapo, 11.10, 74.30

LONG ISLAND.—Yaphank, C.E., 1.00

NASSAU.—Astoria, 9.42; Elmhurst, Newtown, 26; Freeport, 10; Glen Cove, 10; Hempstead, 10, C.E., 5.35; Huntington, 1st, 5, Y.M. Soc., 17; Jamaica, 15; Roslyn, 11.50, 119.27

NEW YORK.—New York, Adams Mem'l, 15; Brick, 500; Central, Y.W.S., 20, C.E., 102.81, Inter. C.E., 10; Ch. of the Covenant, Babcock Sunshine Cir., 5, Willing Workers, 5; Ch. of the Puritans, 25; 5th Ave., 200; 1st, Jr. C.E., 3.50; 1st, Unlon, 16; Madison Ave., 54; Rutgers Riverside, C.E., 200; University Place, Light Bearers, 35; Bethlehem Chapel, C.E., 20; Washington Heights, 30, C.E., 25; West End, C. E., 50; Woodstock, 5; Olivet, 50, 1,371.31

OTSEGO.—Cherry Valley, 10; Cooperstown, 12.50; Delhi, 1st, 39; 2d, 5; Gilbertsville, 19.89; East Guilford, C.E., 6; Middlefield Centre, 3; Oneonta, 8.75; Stamford, 37.71; Unadilla, 2.50, 144.35

ROCHESTER.—Avon, 7; Avon East, 10; Brockport, C.E., 10; Caledonia, 40; Dansville, 50; Geneseo, Jane Ward Soc., 75; Groveland, 3 60; Ogden, C.E., 7.50; Rochester, Brick, 75; Central, Y.W.S., 2; Sparta, 1st, 21.70, 301.80

SYRACUSE.—Amboy, 2.50; Fulton, 200; Onondaga Valley, 10.65; Syracuse, 1st Ward, 5, 218.15

UTICA.—Clinton, 33, Willing Workers, 17; Dolgeville, C. E., 2; Ilion, 25, Bd., 5, C.E., 50, Jr. C.E., 5; Lowville, 20; Lyons Falls, 20; New Hartford, C.E., 10; Rome, 15, S.S., 25; Utica, Bethany, 25; 1st, 94.20, Do Good Bd., 10, Home Dept., S.S., 10, Primary Dept., 10.80; Olivet, C.E., 5; Vernon, C.E., 5; Verona, S.S., 5; Waterville, 50; West Camden, S.S., 7, 449.00

WESTCHESTER.—Dobbs Ferry, 15; New Haven, Ct., 6; New Rochelle, North Ave., Bd., 3.75; Ossining, 31.90; Peekskill, 1st, C.E., 10; Rye, 6; Scarborough, Jr. C.E., 4; South Salem, 22.31; White Plains, 35; Yonkers, Dayspring, 10; Yorktown, 25, 168.96

MISCELLANEOUS.—Coll. at Prayer-meeting, 25.25, A Friend, add'l, 1; Friends, 2.78; Garbutt, D. C. McPherson, 5; Mrs. M. D. Bradley, 5; Warwick, Miss Carrie Pierson, 87.50; Interest on Deposits, 111.38; Interest on Dodge Fund, 100; Interest on Riesch Fund, 50, 387.91

LEGACY.—Estate of Miss Phebe Baker, 941.23

Total,	$5,890.35
Total since April 1, 1903,	49,514.41

HENRIETTA W. HUBBARD, *Treas.*,
156 Fifth Ave., New York City.

Receipts of the Woman's Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions of the Southwest for the month ending Jan. 24, 1904.

CIMARRON.—Chickasha, 11.50, Jr. C.E., 1; El Reno, 5; Lawton, 50 cts.; Paul's Valley, 2; Purcell, 2, $22.00

EMPORIA.—Burlingame, 8.95; Burlington, 2.15; El Dorado, 15; Emporia, 15.56; Peabody, 4.70; Wellington, 34.93; Wichita, 1st, 123.78; Winfield, 9, 214.07

HANNIBAL.—Hannibal, C.E., 23.00

KANSAS CITY.—Clinton, 6; Creighton, 5; Holden, 13.15; Independence, 12.60; Jefferson City, 9.42; Kans. City, 1st, 65; 2d, 50; 4th, 5; Linwood, 7.45; Lowry City, 5.65; Raymore, 11.77; Rich Hill, 2.50, 193.54

NEOSHO.—Carlyle, 2.80; Chetopa, 5, C.E., 2.50; Cherryvale, 3; Columbus, C.E., 2.50; Fort Scott, 8, C.E., 9; Humboldt, 13.80; Independence, 55.20; Moran, 3, Mrs. L. F. Jewell, 30; Ottawa, 16, C.E., 6.25; Osawatomie, 4.50; Paola, 20; Parsons, C.E., 2.77; Waverly, 6.50; Yates Center, 3, 193.82

OSBORNE.—Colby, 12; Natoma, 1; Osborne, 6.25; Phillipsburg, 2.10; Russell, 3.72; Tully, 1; Wa Keeney, 2, Jr. C.E., 50 cts., 28.57

OZARK.—Ash Grove, 3.75; Bolivar, 2.25, Jr. C.E., 1; Carthage, 3.75, Y.W.M.S., 25, Deo Data Bd., 6; Joplin, Bethany, 3; Neosho, W.S.Y. Bd., 1.25; Springfield, Calvary, 1.50, M. M.L., 12; 2d, 4.87; Webb City, 19, 83.37

PLATTE.—Breckenridge, 5.14; Cameron, 5.20; Craig, 4; Grant City, 10.50; Hamilton, 4.40, C.E., 8.42; King City, 1.45; Maitland, 5, Band, 1.70; Maryville, 10.40, Jr. C.E., 10; Mound City, 3, C.E., 7, Jr. C.E., 2; Parkville, 18.28; St. Joseph, Westminster, 41.30; Tarkio, 18; Trenton, 2.50; Savannah, 5; Weston, 10, 173.29

RIO GRANDE.—Deming, 15.00

SOLOMON.—Abilene, 3.40; Beloit, 16; Bennington, 2.46; Belleville, 3; Caledonia, 60 cts.; Culver, 1.05; Ellsworth, 6; Poheta, 3; Minneapolis, 27.76; Mt. Pleasant, 7.19; Lincoln, 8, C.E., 3.41; Salina, 32; Solomon, 1.30, C.E., 3.65, 118.92

TOPEKA.—Baldwin, 6; Clay Centre, C.E., 15; Edgerton, C.E., 2.25; Idana, 1.60; Kans. City, 1st, 14; Grandview, 10; Lawrence, 8.78; Leavenworth, C.E., 15; Olathe, 2.50; Oskaloosa, 6.46, Mrs. F. McClellan, 5; Riley, C.E., 4; Rossville, 1.50; Spring Hill, 8.80; Stanley, 3.32; Topeka, 1st, 63; 3d, 4, C.E., 10; Westminster, 5.40, C.E., 5.71, 192.32

MISCELLANEOUS.—In Memoriam, 31.00

Total for month,	$1,288.90
Total to date,	9,267.46

MRS. WILLIAM BURG, *Treas.*,
Jan. 24, 1904. 1756 Missouri Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

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